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Character

朝永 悠

19歳ながらアメリカの大学院で研究をしていた天才。しかしポストを失い現在は日本で物理学の臨時講師をしている。女性関係にはかなりウブ。

遠野 冬子

恋愛経験が豊富な葵やハルカの友人。元カレのつきまといから助けてくれた教師・小野田に心を寄せている。

広瀬 葵

悠の担当するクラスにいる、小柄で目立たない少女。数学の傑出した才能を持つが、幼少期にその才能を疎まれてしまい、ひた隠しにしている。

大川 香代

冬子と同じく葵たちの友人。葵やハルカの恋愛模様を妄想したり BL的カップリングをいつも考えている「腐女子」。

草壁 ハルカ

読者モデルもこなす、イマドキの女子高生。悠の赴任当初は反抗的だったが、今では退学の危機から自分を救ってくれた悠に惹かれ始めている。

レオン・バークレイ

悠の大学院時代の同僚。悠が院へ早期復帰できるよう、手助けしており、葵を気にかけてばかりの悠に警鐘を鳴らした。

小野田 礼司

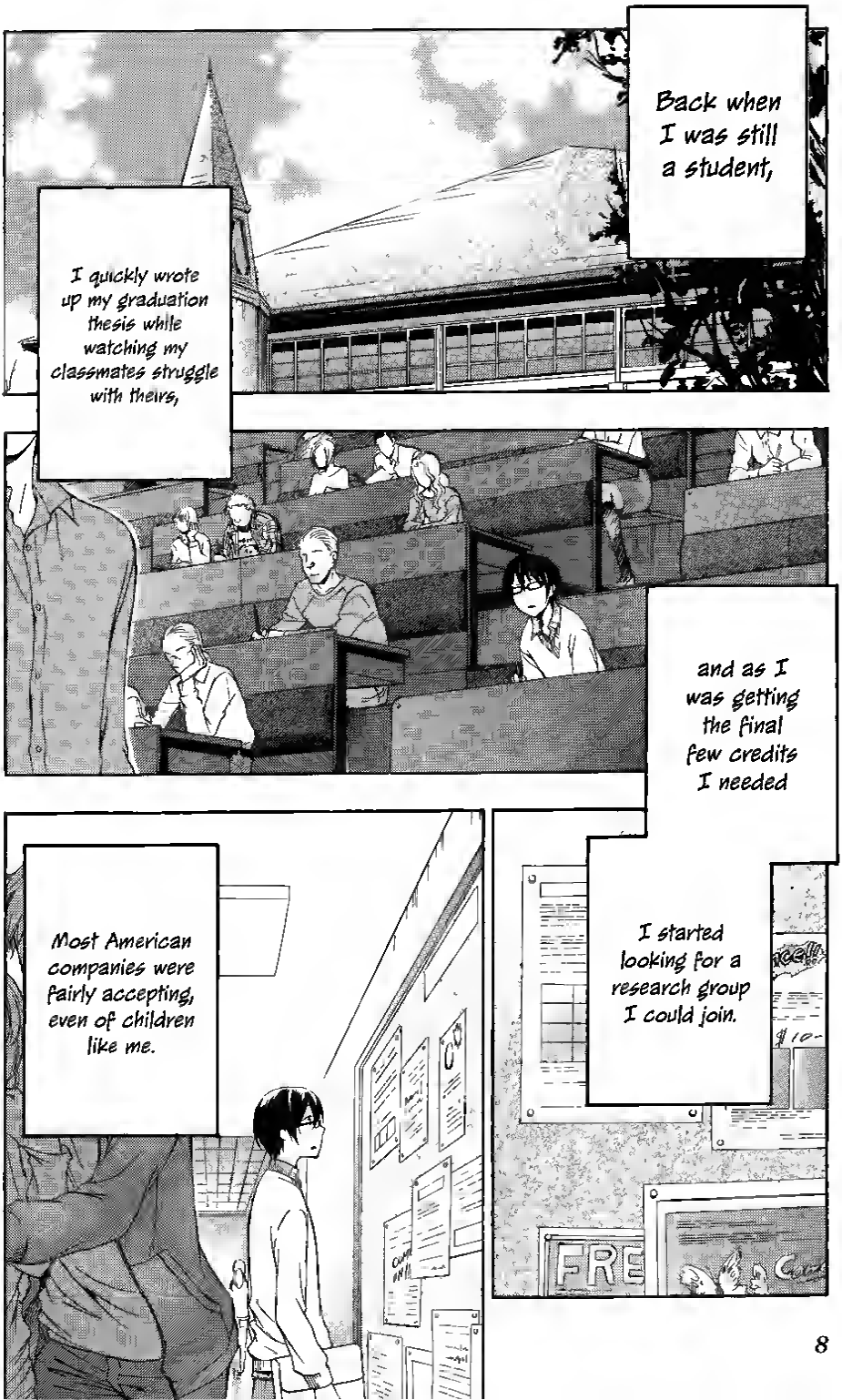
中学校時代の悠に、アメリカの留学を薦めた恩師。小野田に頼まれ、悠はこの学校で働くこととなった。学院の理事長の甥。

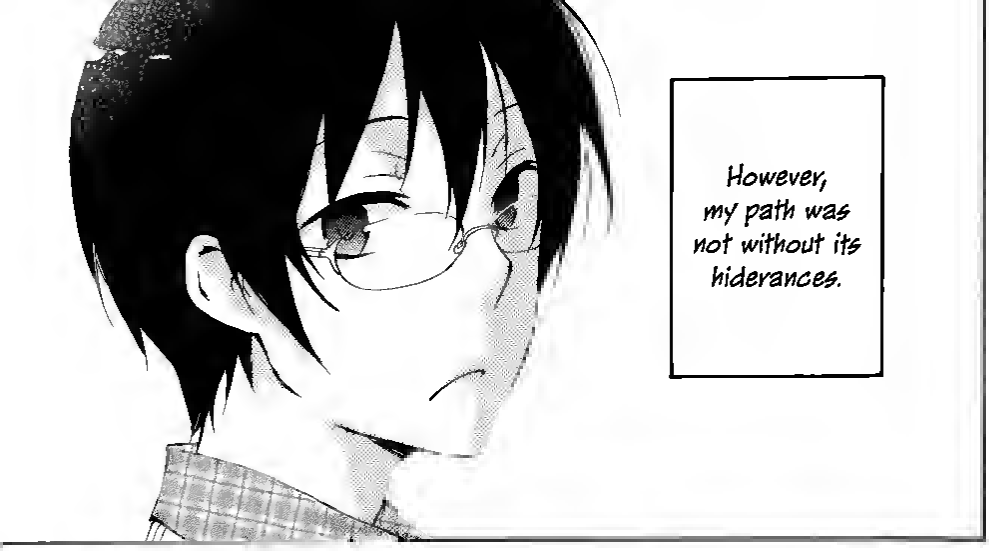
加山 百合音

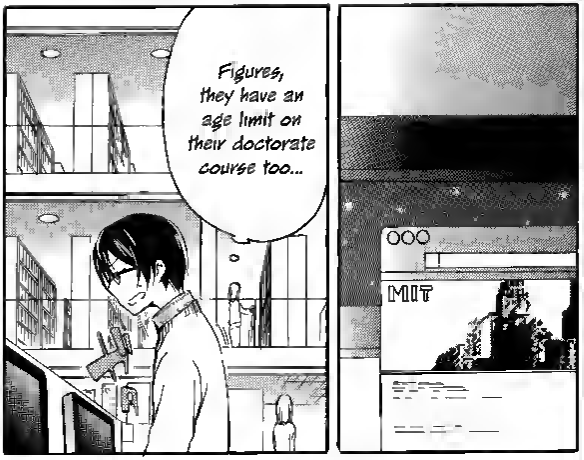
悠の先輩教師。ナイスバディの持ち主で、いつも悠が目のやり場に困るほど。酒ぐせが悪く、たびたび酔って記憶をなくす

I think it was snowing like this on the first day I ever came to Boston too.
GO ON, TAKE A SEAT.
I THINK I'VE GOT A GOOD IDEA WHY YOU'RE HERE.
But...

Unlike back then, I feel awful right now.
WHAT YOU'RE MOST LIKELY TRYING TO SAY IS QUITE UNDERSTANDABLE.
BUT EVEN SO, AS YOUR TEACHER,
I DO NOT THINK THAT I MADE THE WRONG CHOICE.

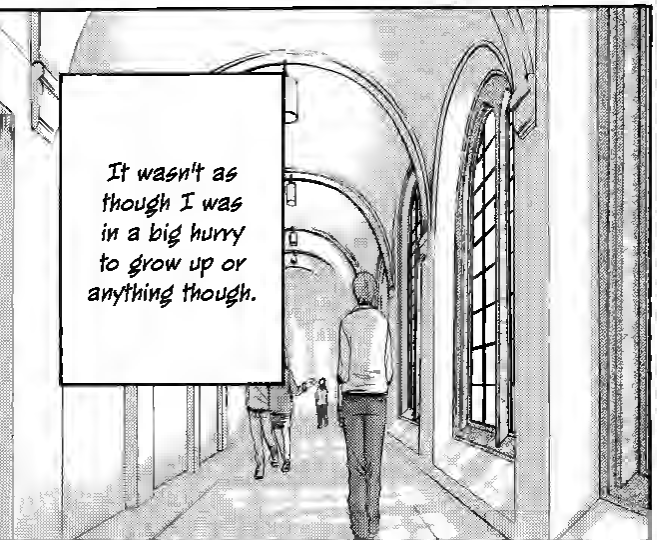

Back when I was still a student,
I quickly wrote up my graduation thesis while watching my classmates struggle with theirs,
and as I was getting the final few credits I needed
I started looking for a research group I could join.
Most American companies were fairly accepting, even of children like me.

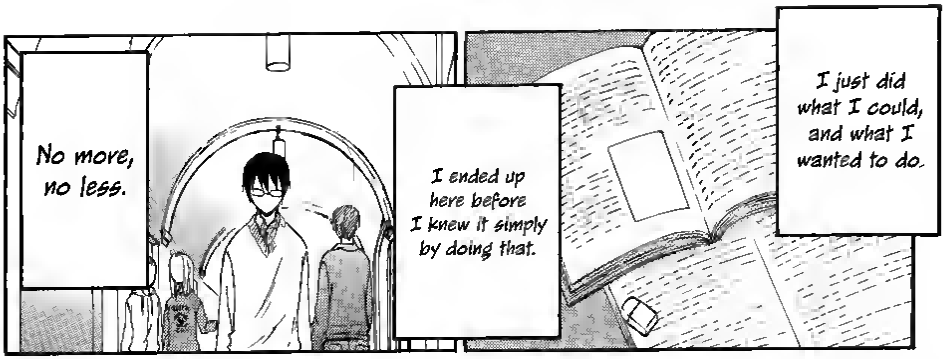




Even if one had a high SAT score,

it was impossible to go to a first-rate college without being old enough



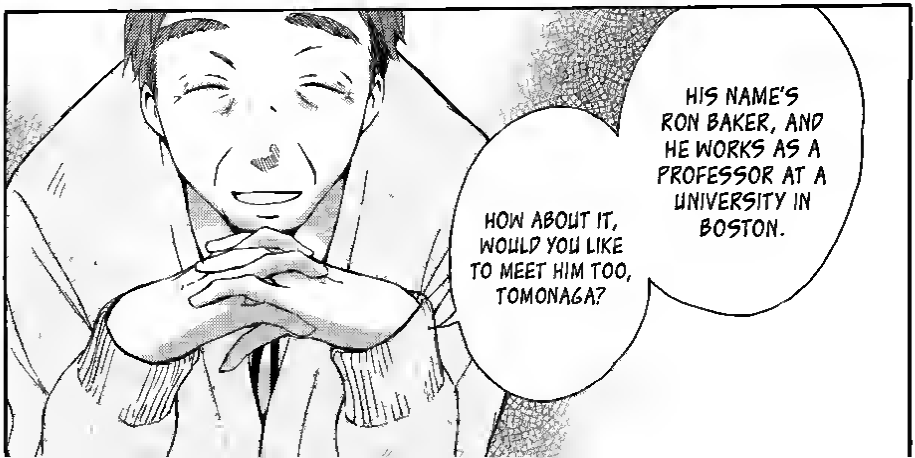

No more, no less.
I ended up here before I knew it simply by doing that.
I just did what I could, and what I wanted to do.

But...

I do think that back then I did have at least some desire to quickly become an adult.

EH?
Then, one day...

I HAD A FRIEND OF MINE LOOK AT YOUR THESIS TO HAVE HIM DO AN EVALUATION OF SORTS ON IT, YOU SEE.
AND AFTER READING IT HE SAID HE WANTED TO MEET YOU.


HIS NAME'S RON BAKER, AND HE WORKS AS A PROFESSOR AT A UNIVERSITY IN BOSTON.
HOW ABOUT IT, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MEET HIM TOO, TOMONAGA?

It was a once in a lifetime chance.
YES!! I WOULD!!
Ron Baker was a famous physicist in the academic world,
and to a mere student like me
just getting the chance to talk to a professor other than the ones teaching my classes was enough to put me on cloud nine.
Even if I ended up not being able to do my graduate work there...
YOS!!
I felt that... I'd at least be able to gain something by meeting him...
WILL YOU REALLY BE ALRIGHT ON YOUR OWN?

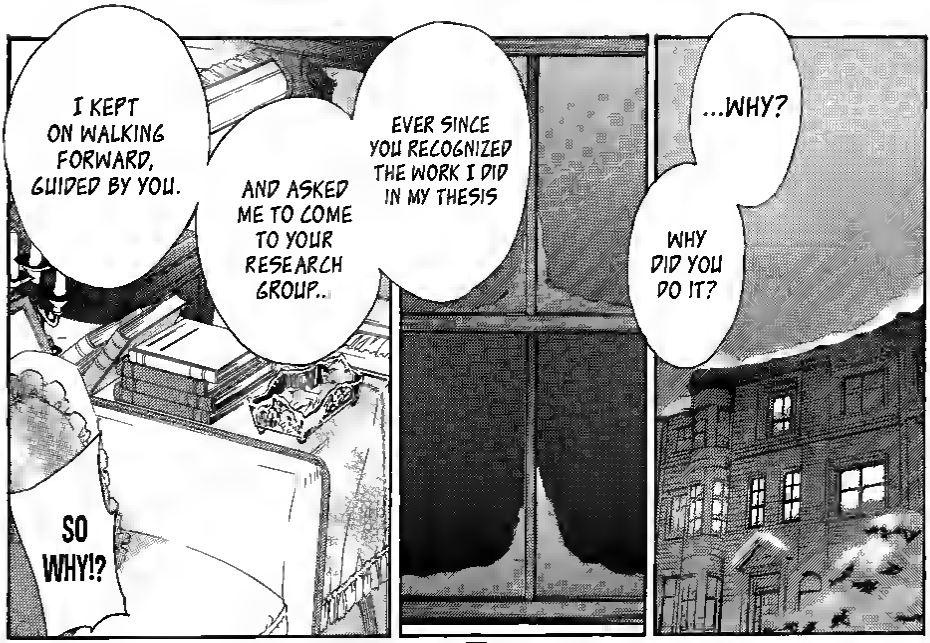
IF YOU GO OFF AND ENROLL IN THAT HARSH PLACE AND THEN END UP GETTING DEVOURED BY IT,
I WONT EVER BE ABLE TO LOOK MY SISTER IN THE FACE AGAIN.
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN.
BOSTON'S A PRETTY SAFE CITY, AND BESIDES, I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF.
RELAX, I'LL BE FINE AUNTIE.
Tokyo
London
Boston
NewYork

SOCIETY IS STILL HARD ON "ABNORMAL" PEOPLE LIKE ME, AND THERE ARE PLENTY OF BAD PEOPLE IN THE WORLD TOO.
I KNOW HOW PEOPLE CAN BE.
YOU WORRY TOO MUCH.

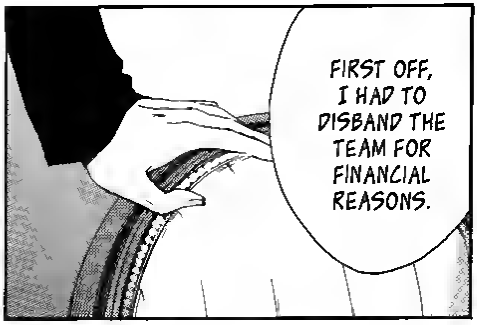
IS TO STAND ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF THE WORLD.
STILL, I'LL BE FINE. ALL I WANT TO DO

AHH... YUU.
I STILL THINK IT'S TOO SOON TO LET YOU
GO OFF INTO THAT WORLD.
"Why are you worried? Everything's going fine." I thought to myself,
as I failed to understand the true meaning of my aunt's words.
Even now...

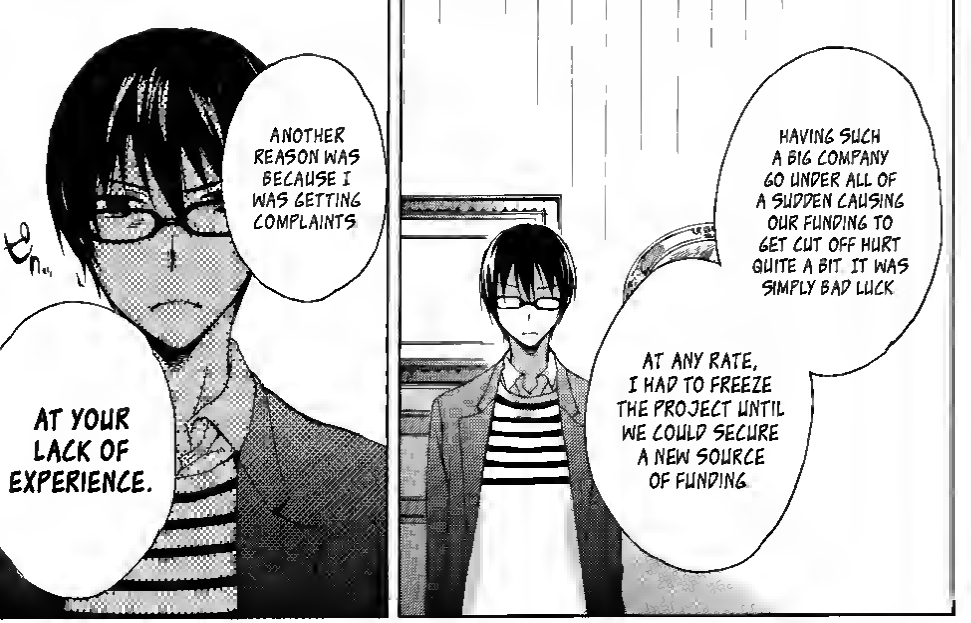
I doubt that I can fully grasp the meaning of what she said.
But at the very least, I do know,
that back then I didn't regret the path I'd chosen in the least—

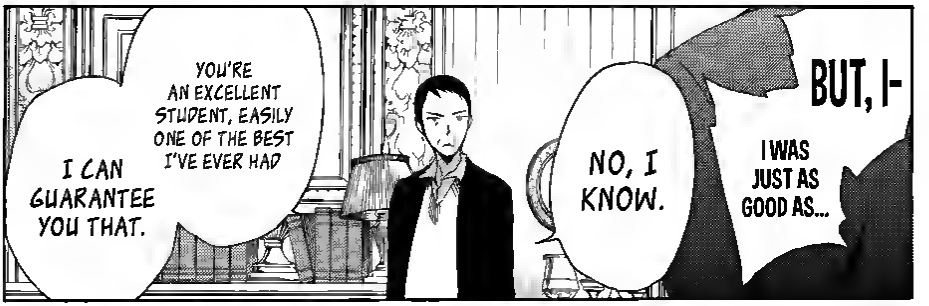

I KEPT ON WALKING FORWARD, GUIDED BY YOU.
AND ASKED ME TO COME TO YOUR RESEARCH GROUP..
EVER SINCE YOU RECOGNIZED THE WORK I DID IN MY THESIS
SO WHY!?
...WHY?
WHY DID YOU DO IT?

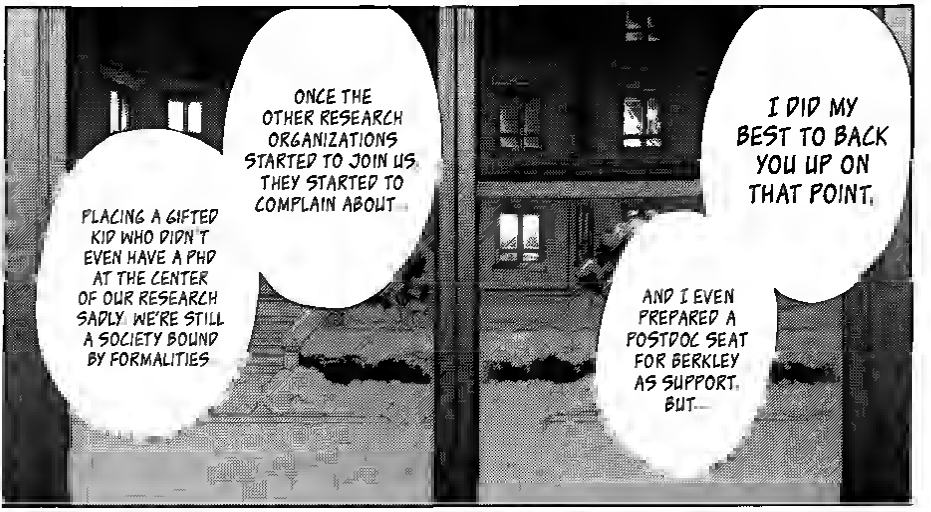
TO STEAL THAT RESEARCH FROM ME!?
WHY DID YOU GO SO FAR AS TO DISBAND OUR TEAM

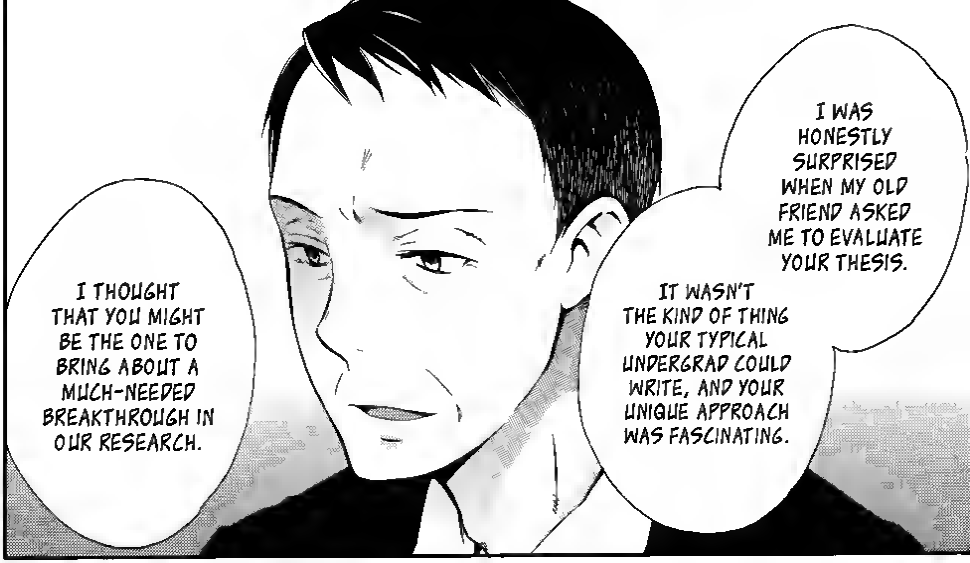

FIRST OFF, I HAD TO DISBAND THE TEAM FOR FINANCIAL REASONS.

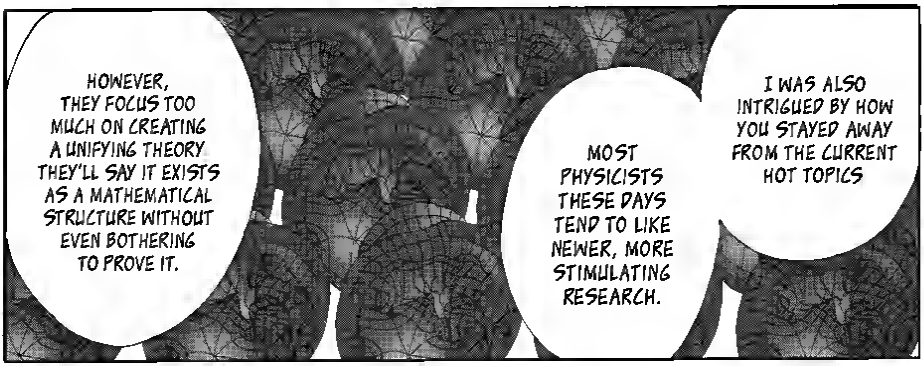
TOMO-NAGA...
YOU'RE BOTH RIGHT AND WRONG.

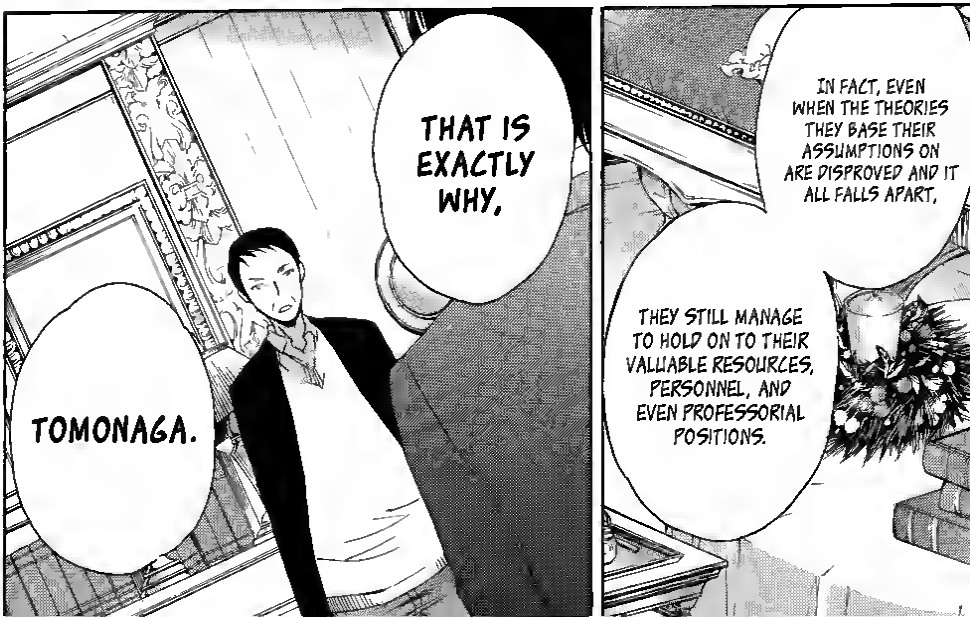

HAVING SUCH A BIG COMPANY GO UNDER ALL OF A SUDDEN CAUSING OUR FUNDING TO GET CUT OFF HURT QUITE A BIT. IT WAS SIMPLY BAD LUCK.
AT ANY RATE, I HAD TO FREEZE THE PROJECT UNTIL WE COULD SECURE A NEW SOURCE OF FUNDING.
ANOTHER REASON WAS BECAUSE I WAS GETTING COMPLAINTS.
AT YOUR LACK OF EXPERIENCE.


BUT, I-
I WAS JUST AS GOOD AS...
NO, I KNOW.
YOU'RE AN EXCELLENT STUDENT, EASILY ONE OF THE BEST I'VE EVER HAD
I CAN GUARANTEE YOU THAT.


I DID MY BEST TO BACK YOU UP ON THAT POINT.
AND I EVEN PREPARED A POSTDOC SEAT FOR BERKLEY AS SUPPORT. BUT—
ONCE THE OTHER RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS STARTED TO JOIN US, THEY STARTED TO COMPLAIN ABOUT...
PLACING A GIFTED KID WHO DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A PHD AT THE CENTER OF OUR RESEARCH SADLY. WE'RE STILL A SOCIETY BOUND BY FORMALITIES.


I WAS HONESTLY SURPRISED WHEN MY OLD FRIEND ASKED ME TO EVALUATE YOUR THESIS.
IT WASN'T THE KIND OF THING YOUR TYPICAL UNDERGRAD COULD WRITE, AND YOUR UNIQUE APPROACH WAS FASCINATING.
I THOUGHT THAT YOU MIGHT BE THE ONE TO BRING ABOUT A MUCH-NEEDED BREAKTHROUGH IN OUR RESEARCH.

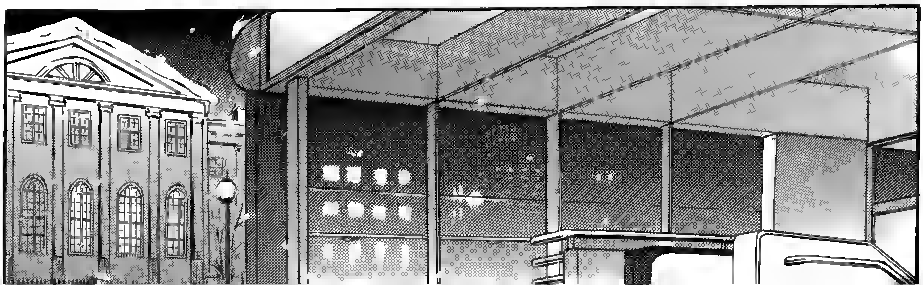

I WAS ALSO INTRIGUED BY HOW YOU STAYED AWAY FROM THE CURRENT HOT TOPICS
MOST PHYSICISTS THESE DAYS TEND TO LIKE NEWER, MORE STIMULATING RESEARCH.
HOWEVER, THEY FOCUS TOO MUCH ON CREATING A UNIFYING THEORY. THEY'LL SAY IT EXISTS AS A MATHEMATICAL STRUCTURE WITHOUT EVEN BOTHERING TO PROVE IT.

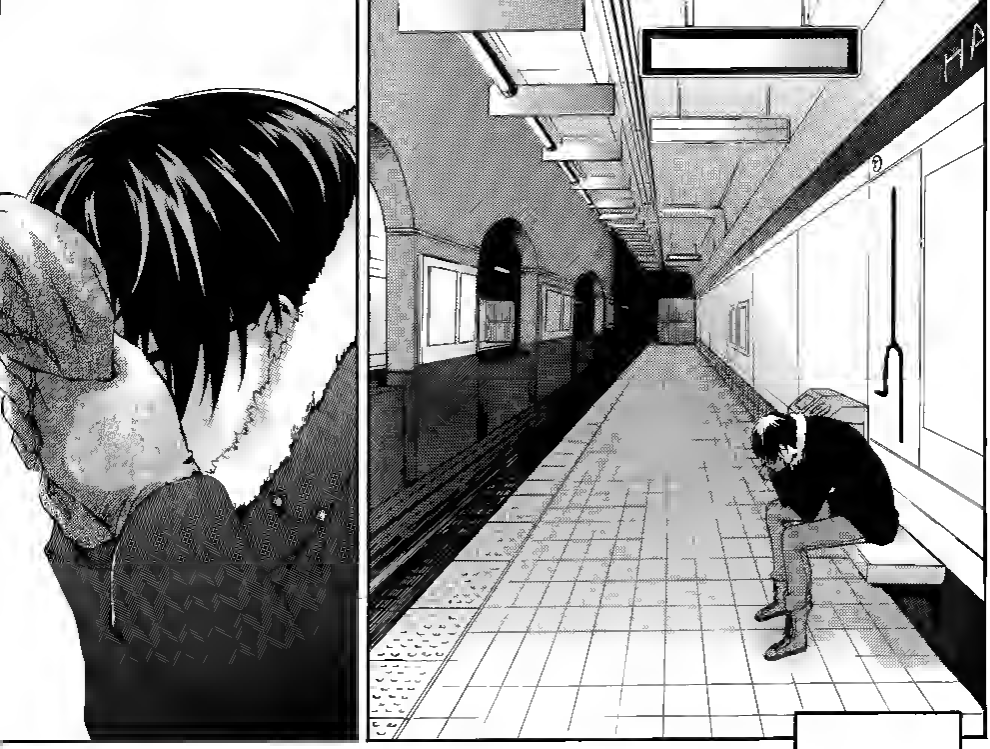

IN FACT, EVEN WHEN THE THEORIES THEY BASE THEIR ASSUMPTIONS ON ARE DISPROVED AND IT ALL FALLS APART,
THEY STILL MANAGE TO HOLD ON TO THEIR VALUABLE RESOURCES, PERSONNEL, AND EVEN PROFESSORIAL POSITIONS.
THAT IS EXACTLY WHY,
TOMONAGA.

TOMONAGA... I MAY HAVE BEEN MISTAKEN TO PLACE ONE AS YOUNG AS YOU AT THE CENTER OF THE PROJECT.
HENCE, I WILL BE TAKING THE LEAD FROM NOW ON.
WHY I WILL NOT ALLOW THIS PROJECT TO FAIL FOR A SECOND TIME.
THE RESULTS WE PRODUCE WILL LIKELY HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS ON CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED THEORIES
YOU'RE STILL YOUNG, AND HAVE VERY LITTLE EXPERIENCE.
BUT, YOU ALSO HAVE INCREDIBLE POTENTIAL HIDDEN WITHIN YOU.

BY DOING POSTDOC WORK OR BY WORKING AT A RESEARCH ORGANIZATION.
YOU CAN GET YOUR PHD, AND THEN SPEND A FEW YEARS SEEING THE WORLD
I CAN MAKE THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU TO GO BACK TO GRAD SCHOOL

IF, AFTER ALL THAT, YOUR HEART IS STILL SET ON RESEARCH.
THEN I'LL GLADLY HAND OVER MY SEAT TO YOU.





The professor is exactly right.

I worked way harder than anyone else to attain the same respect that other students have.

But even so, I still have far too little experience as a scientist.

I also doubt the professor took that research simply for his own benefit. That's not the kind of man he is.

It's all quite simple, really. I just need to go back to college like the professor said.

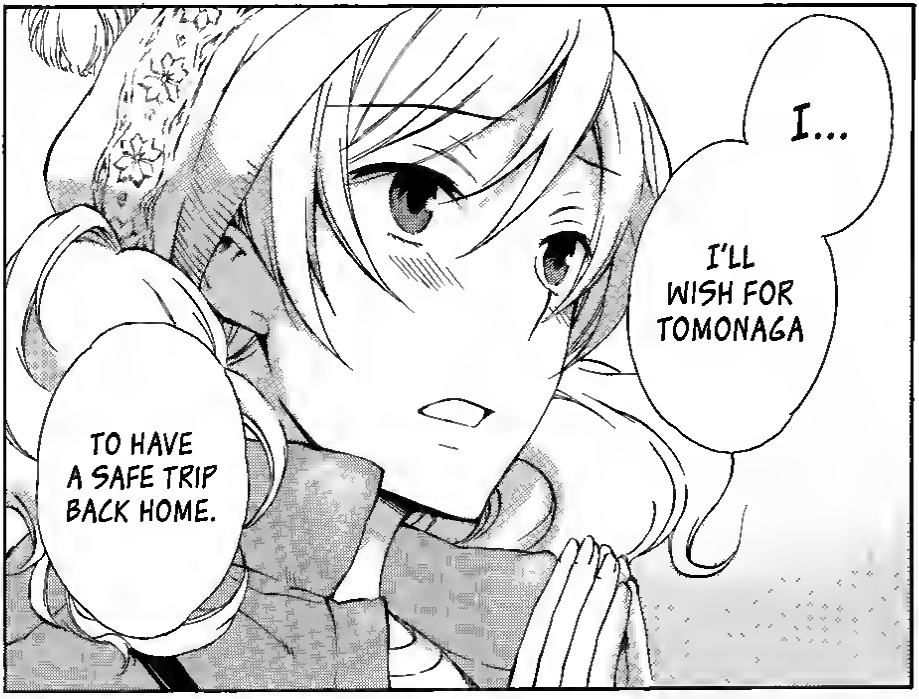
I'm like a child who's lost his way, fallen down and unable to move.
And yet...
I still can't make my decision
I think...
that I can kind of understand
what my aunt was trying to tell me now.
This is the first time I've ever felt so lost and confused since coming to this country.

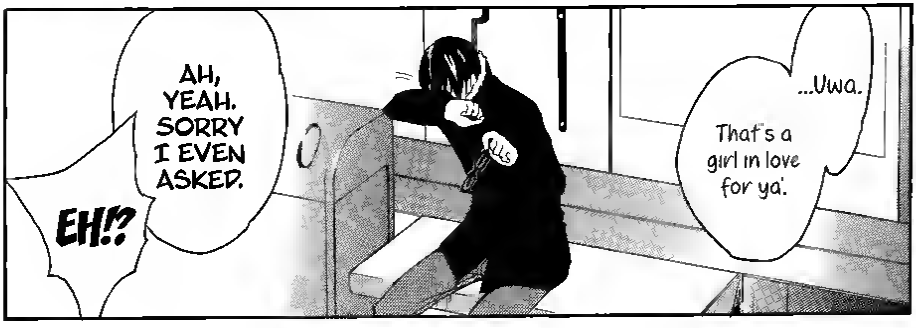
I wonder if it's because I'm weak that those girls' faces come to mind at a time like this.
AH, HEY!
SORRY I'M A BIT LATE!!
HUH? WHERE'S AOI?
AOI SAID SHE CAN'T COME 'CAUSE HER PARENTS SAID NO.
AHH, THAT SUCKS FOR AOI THEN.
YOU TWO GET ALONG PRETTY WELL, HUH.
THINK SO?
SHE JUST DOESN'T WANT TO STIR UP TROUBLE WITH HER FAMILY.

Where do you even get all that cash?
You spend too much too.
What was that?
OKAY, THAT'S ENOUGH
CALM DOWN.
NOW NOW, ISN'T ENJOYING EACH AND EVERY EVENT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE JAPANESE?
NO, YOU JUST ENJOY THEM TOO MUCH.
SO, WHAT ARE YOU GUYS GONNA WISH FOR?
I DUNNO I'M GOING TO A TEMPLE FOR NEW YEAR'S TOMORROW ANYWAY, SO ISN'T IT KINDA DUMB TO COME TO ONE TODAY TOO?
FULL OF WORDLY DESIRES AT A TEMPLE HUH? NICE.
I'm gonna wish that next year is full of moe too!
YOU ASKED SO TELL US FIRST, WHAT ARE YOU GONNA WISH FOR, KAYO?
Hehe.
I'll wish for things to go well with this nice guy I met at Christmas.
CHRISTMAS? WAIT... BUT WEREN'T YOU ON A DATE WITH YOUR BOYFRIEND?
ME? HMM...
OH, THEN WHAT ABOUT YOU, TOUKO?

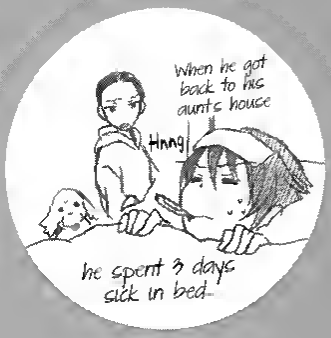
WHAT ABOUT YOU, HARUKA?

KAYO, MEET ME IN THE ALLEY OUT BACK LATER.
FIGURES THAT'S WHAT A SLUT LIKE YOU WOULD DO~


I...
I'LL WISH FOR TOMONAGA
TO HAVE A SAFE TRIP BACK HOME.


AH, YEAH. SORRY I EVEN ASKED.
EH!?
...Uwa.
That's a girl in love for ya'.

Indeed, let's all wish
for this year to pass
as peacefully as the last
WHY~!?


When he got back to his aunt's house
Hnng
he spent 3 days sick in bed.

VEXED SCANS

A METHED TO MAKE THE GENTLE WORLD - 10

TYPESETTING: RELM
THE PITA REDRAWS: NASELARE
MONEY FOR THE RAWS: CRIMSON ♥
THE REST: VEXED

POOR YUU, WHICH GIRL WILL COME TO HIM IN HIS TIME OF NEED? OR PERHAPS IT WON'T BE A GIRL, BUT A GUY...? IT'D CERTAINLY MAKE KAYO AND NATSUME HAPPY IF A CERTAIN OLD MAN GOT WITH HIM.

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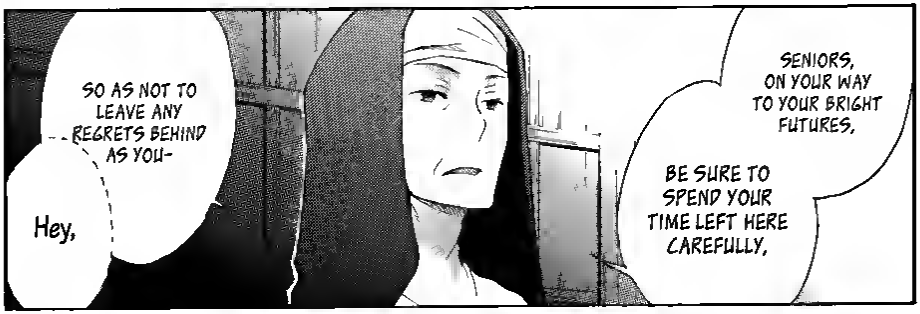
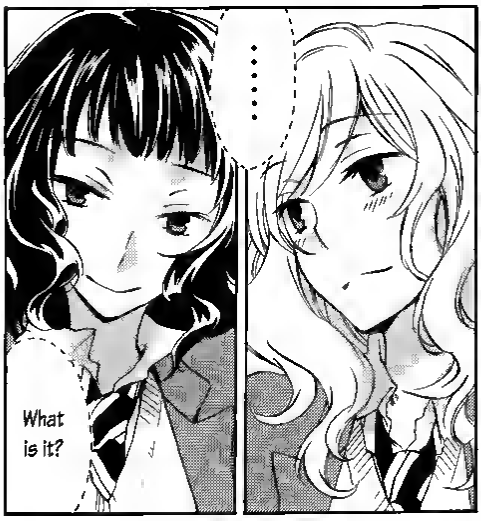
[CHAPTER 11] ANTIKYTHERA MECHANISM

AND STRIVE TO BECOME FINE LADIES BEFITTING THIS ACADEMY.
AS WE WELCOME THE NEW YEAR,
I'D LIKE ALL OUR FRESHMAN AND JUNIORS TO FOCUS EVEN HARDER THAN BEFORE,

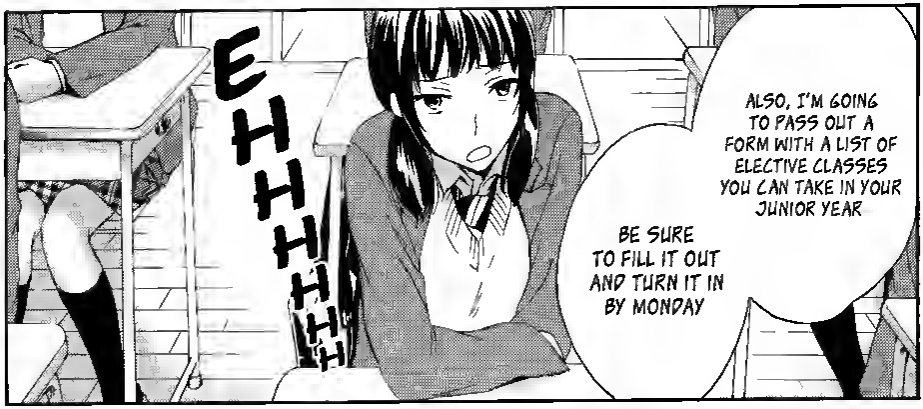

SO AS NOT TO LEAVE ANY REGRETS BEHIND AS YOU-
Hey,
SENIORS, ON YOUR WAY TO YOUR BRIGHT FUTURES,
BE SURE TO SPEND YOUR TIME LEFT HERE CAREFULLY,


What is it?

why do the sisters here talk so long?
I've been here since elementary school, and it's always been the same.

Oh... I see.
A maiden in love has no time to chat with her friends, that it?
Oh come on Kayo, quit pouting.
Ah.
You've still got your 2D world, right?
Yeah, but the 2D world can't talk to me!!
Huh?
Tomonaga-sensei looks kinda down...
Why're you looking over there too Touko?
Hmm~? Just having fun people watching, I guess...

THE NEW TERM STARTS TODAY, BUT...
YOU'VE GOT FINAL EXAMS AT THE END OF THE TERM. SO BE SURE TO STUDY WELL.
1-4
SOOO...


EHHHHHH
ALSO, I'M GOING TO PASS OUT A FORM WITH A LIST OF ELECTIVE CLASSES YOU CAN TAKE IN YOUR JUNIOR YEAR
BE SURE TO FILL IT OUT AND TURN IT IN BY MONDAY

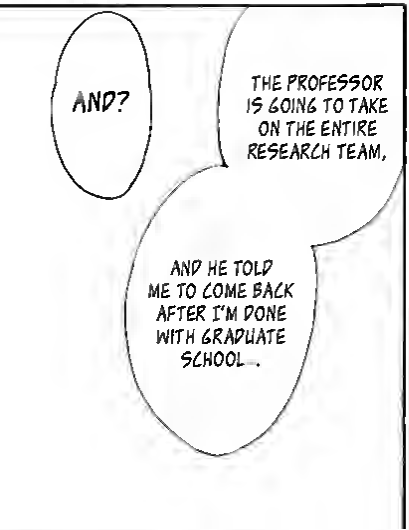
.....

DON'T "EHH" ME.
THAT'S ALL FOR NOW.
All rise

I was right,
he does look kinda down...

IT WAS...
AWFUL.

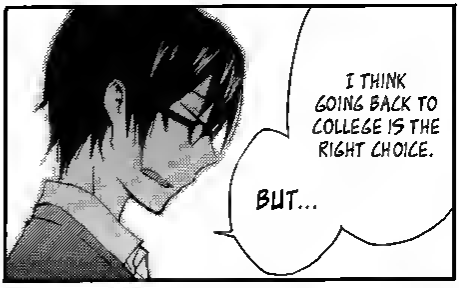
SO,
HOW WAS AMERICA?


AND?
THE PROFESSOR IS GOING TO TAKE ON THE ENTIRE RESEARCH TEAM,
AND HE TOLD ME TO COME BACK AFTER I'M DONE WITH GRADUATE SCHOOL...

.....
SO IT WAS THAT BAD, HUH.
KINDA FIGURED IT WAS AFTER I SAW YOUR FACE

WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?

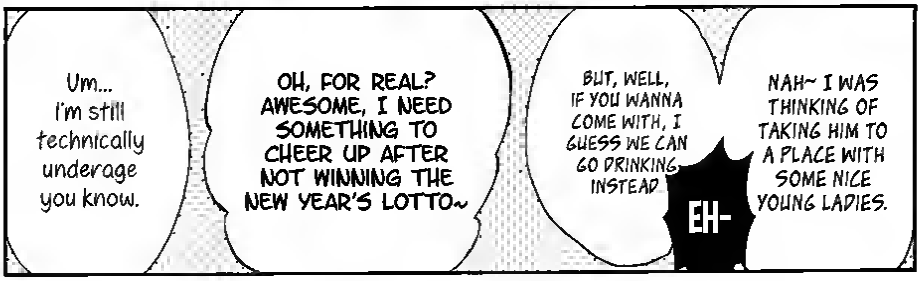
TO BE HONEST,
I'M NOT SO SURE OF MYSELF ANYMORE...


I THINK GOING BACK TO COLLEGE IS THE RIGHT CHOICE.
BUT...

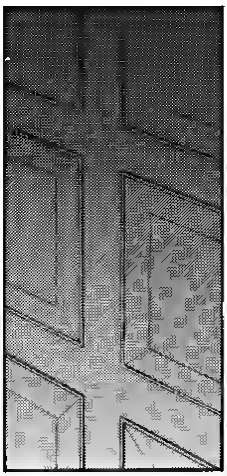
I MEAN, YOU DID BLOW THROUGH MOST THINGS IN LIFE.
TAKING A LITTLE DETOUR NOW AND THEN CAN'T HURT, RIGHT?

WELL, NO NEED TO RUSH, RIGHT?
YOU CAN KEEP TEACHIN' UNTIL YOU MAKE UP YOUR MIND.
.....

YOU'RE STILL YOUNG, DROP THE FROWN.
I'LL EVEN TAKE YOU TO THIS NICE LITTLE JOINT I KNOW.
OH? GOING DRINKING?
YOU THINK SO?
YEAH, JUST RELAX.


Um... I'm still technically underage you know.
OH, FOR REAL? AWESOME, I NEED SOMETHING TO CHEER UP AFTER NOT WINNING THE NEW YEAR'S LOTTO~
BUT, WELL, IF YOU WANNA COME WITH, I GUESS WE CAN GO DRINKING INSTEAD
EH-
NAH~ I WAS THINKING OF TAKING HIM TO A PLACE WITH SOME NICE YOUNG LADIES.

I mean, He looked like he was gonna fall apart all day...
Gotta get him to have some fun, even if by force...
ONODA -SENSE!
I swear I'm way too overprotective



LISTEN TO ME, YOU NO GOOD TEACHERS!!
THAT GOOD ENOUGH FOR YA?
OH, I'LL INVITE YURINE TOO~

OH?
HEY TOHNO.
HOW'VE THINGS BEEN AFTER THAT LITTLE INCIDENT?
I'M FINE. HE'S STILL CALLING ME, BUT I'M IGNORING HIM.
MAKE SURE YOU GO TO THE COPS IF IT STARTS LOOKING BAD, ALRIGHT?
LIKE THE COPS WOULD DO ANYTHING ANYWAY.
YOU COME HELP ME INSTEAD.
ISN'T TOMONAGA YOUR TEACHER?
BUT YUU DOESN'T LOOK THAT STRONG.
HE'D BE PRETTY USELESS IN A PINCH. DON'T YOU THINK?
...YOU HAVE A POINT.

I FEEL SO SAFE NOW.
DON'T GIVE IT TO ANYONE ELSE OR CALL ME UNLESS IT'S AN EMERGENCY THOUGH
I WON'T.
FINE, HERE.
I'LL GIVE YOU MY PHONE NUMBER
YAY~
THANKS.
I'LL BE COUNTING ON YOU, MY PRINCE.
Hehe...
UH, YEAH.
Prince?

Reiji's phone number is all mine!
I doubt crying wolf will work on him more than once though.
And he'll probably just ignore me if I go right for him too~
WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG TOUKO?
WHY'D YOU HAVE TO GO TO THE FACULTY LOUNGE?
DID YOU GET IN TROUBLE AGAIN?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "AGAIN"?
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.
Yet, anyway.
SO, WHAT DO YOU WANNA DO? KARAOKE? GET SOME FOOD?
AH, I WANNA SEE THIS SHOP AT MARUCO.
I HEARD WE'VE GOT QUIZZES IN EVERY SUBJECT NEXT WEEK~
EH? FOR REAL? THAT SUCKS
HARUKA, DIDN'T YOUR GRADES DROP A TON AT THE END OF THE LAST TERM?
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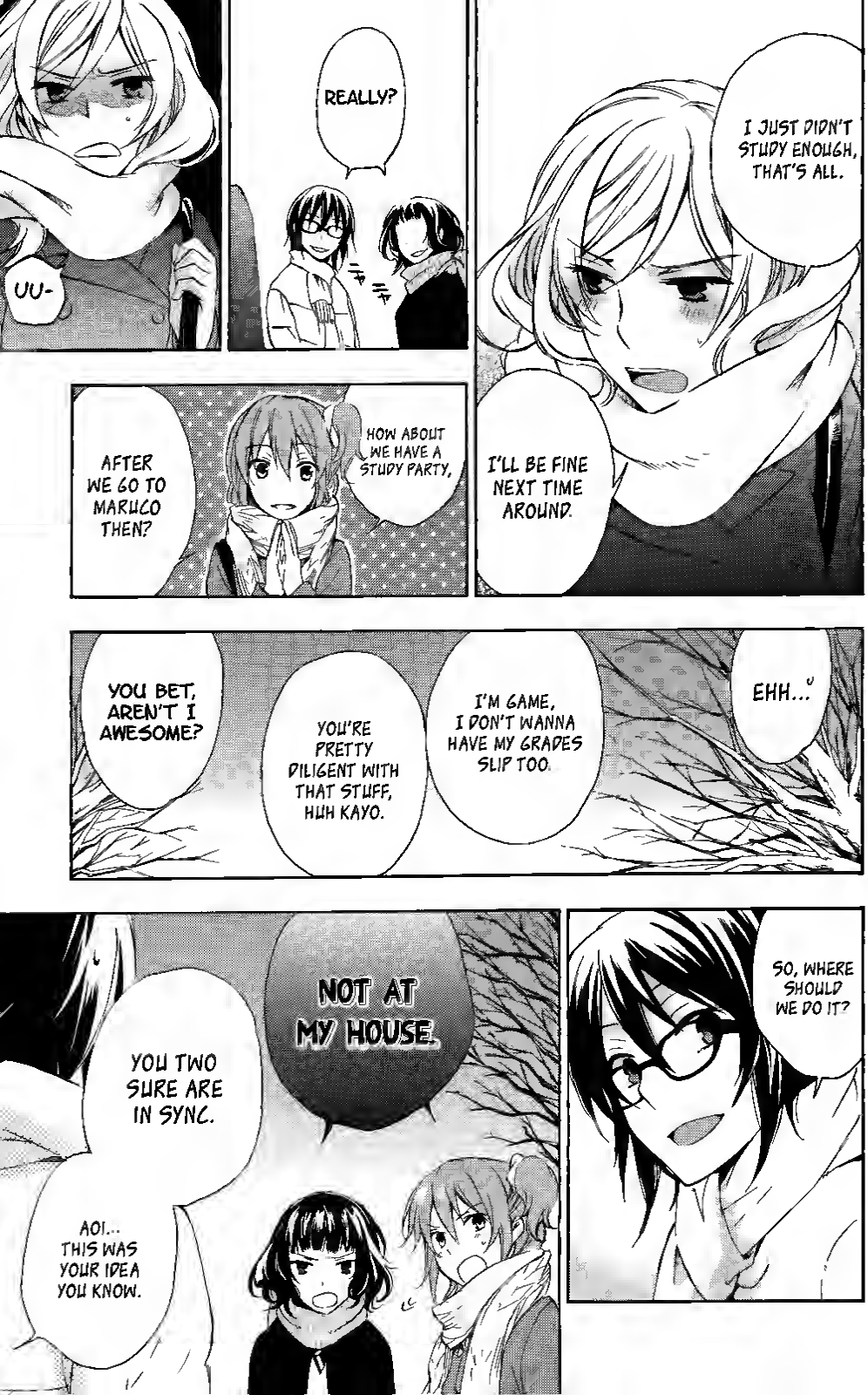
UU-
REALLY?
I JUST DIDN'T STUDY ENOUGH, THAT'S ALL.
I'LL BE FINE NEXT TIME AROUND.
HOW ABOUT WE HAVE A STUDY PARTY,
AFTER WE GO TO MARUCO THEN?
EHH...
I'M GAME, I DON'T WANNA HAVE MY GRADES SLIP TOO.
YOU'RE PRETTY DILIGENT WITH THAT STUFF, HUH KAYO.
YOU BET, AREN'T I AWESOME?
SO, WHERE SHOULD WE DO IT?
NOT AT MY HOUSE.
YOU TWO SURE ARE IN SYNC.
AOI... THIS WAS YOUR IDEA YOU KNOW.

THEN THAT MEANS IT'S EITHER MY HOUSE OR HARUKA'S
I DON'T MIND DOING IT AT MY PLACE, BUT WE WERE JUST THERE FOR CHRISTMAS
WELL, WE CAN DO IT AT MY PLACE, BUT
BUT?
ALL THE PASSION I BOUGHT AT WINTER FEST THIS YEAR,
IS STILL SITTING AROUND PILED UP IN MY ROOM.
CLEAN IT UP ALREADY!!
IS IT REALLY OK TO DO THIS AT YOUR PLACE!?
PROBABLY...

LET'S GO GET THOSE DRINKS
COME ON, TOMONAGA
PHEW, FINALLY ALL OUR MEETINGS ARE OVER.
ANOTHER DAY OF WORK, DONE.
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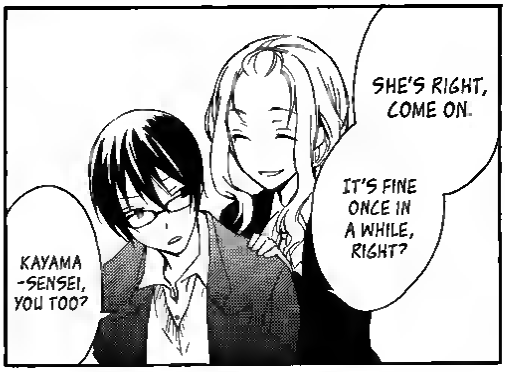
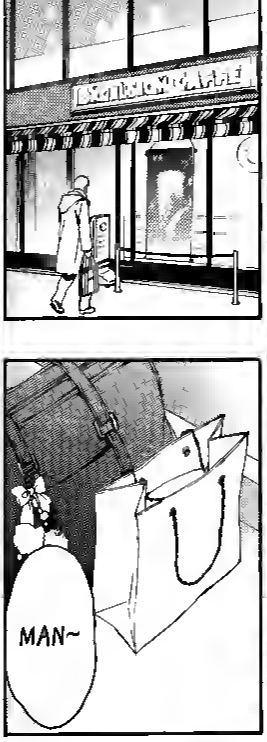

SHE'S RIGHT, COME ON.
IT'S FINE ONCE IN A WHILE, RIGHT?
KAYAMA -SENSEI, YOU TOO?

TAKI-SENSEI, ISN'T IT A BIT TOO EARLY FOR THAT?
LOOSEN UP, NOT LIKE WE HAVE ANY WORK TODAY ANYWAY.

OKAY?
LET'S GO HAVE SOME FUN IN THE NEW YEAR,
Uh-huh...

THAT TOOK LONGER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD
DON'T REALLY HAVE TIME FOR THAT STUDY PARTY NOW.
YEAH.


MAN~

SUMROAD
COSMETIC

AOI, YOU'RE PRETTY MERCILESS, YOU KNOW THAT?
SO LET'S HAVE A FISH THROUGH KAYO'S ROOM PARTY INSTEAD~

AH-

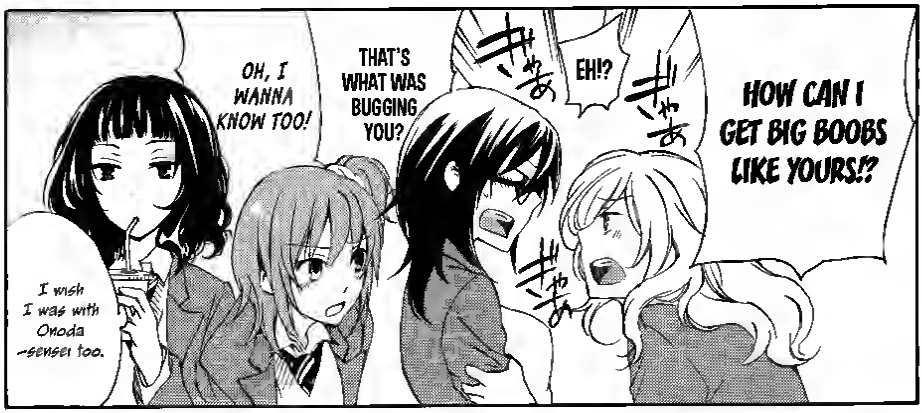
EHH, WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
WHATEVER THOUGH. YOU CAN COME, JUST DON'T REGRET IT.

TOMONAGA...

UWA, LOOK AT THAT GRIN.

DO YOU THINK TOMONAGA LIKES GIRLS LIKE YURINE-CHAN?

KAYO, TELL ME!!
HEH?
HARUKA...


I wish I was with Onoda -sensei too.
OH, I WANNA KNOW TOO!
THAT'S WHAT WAS BUGGING YOU?
EH!?
HOW CAN I GET BIG BOOBS LIKE YOURS!?

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AN EARLY BEER IS THE BEST I TELL YA!
CHEERS!
SURE IS.
HAVEN'T DRANK THIS EARLY IN A WHILE.
SUCKS WHEN I THINK HOW WORK STARTS FOR REAL TOMORROW THOUGH...
WINTER BREAK IS TOO SHORT~
I DIDN'T EVEN GET TO GO SEE MY FAMILY BACK HOME.
OH, SPEAKING OF THAT,
TOMONAGA, YOU WENT BACK TO AMERICA, RIGHT?
HOW WAS IT?
.....

I'D NEED SOME ALCOHOL IN ME TO TALK ABOUT IT...
EXCUSE ME, WAITER.
ONE MORE MUG OVER HERE!
I'M NOT GONNA DRINK IT!!
Uchi! THE MOVIE!
IT'S LIKE ANOTHER WORLD IN HERE.
OH SHUT UP!!
Kyuu Joooh!
Fuu Fuu Fuu!

.....
YOU CAN SIT WHEREVER
I'LL GO GET SOME CUPS.
WELL, THIS ROOM DEFINITELY SCREAMS KAYO, DOESN'T IT.
I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER BEEN IN A ROOM LIKE HERS BEFORE.
It's kinda fun~
Uwa, I've got a bad feeling about this

HEY, I GOT THE CUPS~

SO THIS IS WHAT KAYO'S INTO...
YEAH, IT'S LIKE, THIS IS ALL THEY SELL THERE~
Uwa... THIS ONE'S EVEN CRAZIER.
HEY, CUT IT OUT!!

FINE FINE, LOOK ALL YOU WANT.
just don't get it dirty
HEY, KAYO.

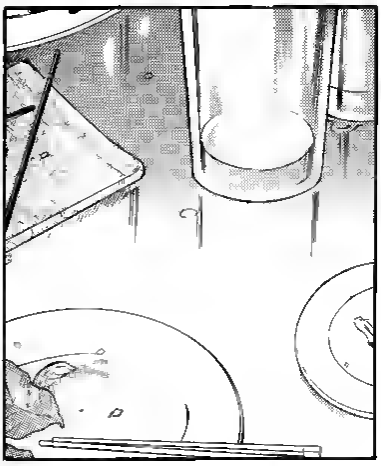
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO MY TREASURE?
COME ON, WHO WOULDN'T LOOK INSIDE AFTER SEEING THIS COVER!?

LOOK, I TOLD YOU~
IS THIS THE SECRET TO YOUR BIG BOOBS?
I MIGHT BE WRONG, BUT...
WHAT!? ARE YOU RETARDED!?
COME ON~ THEY'RE JUST BEGGING TO BE GROPED.
DON'T TOUCH ME!
SPEAKING OF TOMONAGA -SENSEI...
JUST GET YUU TO RUB 'EM FOR YOU~
OR SHOULD I RUB 'EM INSTEAD?
HE LOOKED KINDA DOWN IN THE DUMPS TODAY, DIDN'T HE...

REALLY...?

HUH, HE DID?

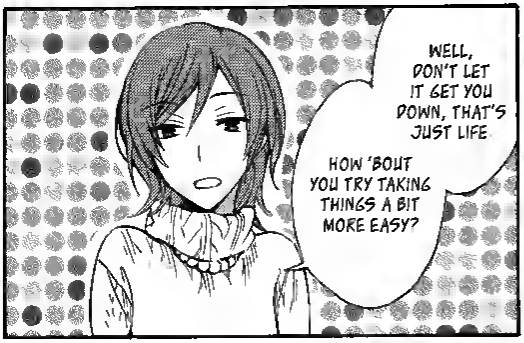
AH,
IT MIGHT'VE JUST BEEN MY IMAGINATION THOUGH!!



...OK.
...I'LL TRY ASKING HIM TOMORROW.
Aoi's pretty dense when it comes to this stuff.

I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HUMILIATED!!
YOU REALLY ARE YOUNG, HUH
CAN SAY THAT AGAIN...

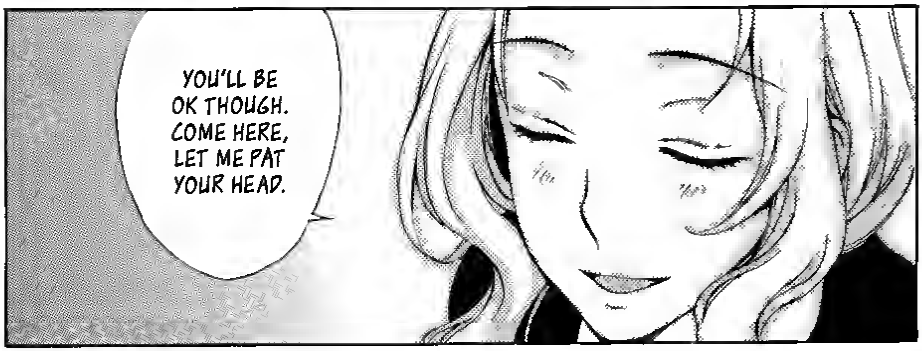
...SO YEAH, MY PROFESSOR TOOK MY PROJECT FROM ME,
AND NOW I'VE GOT NO IDEA WHAT TO DO NEXT.


WELL, DON'T LET IT GET YOU DOWN, THAT'S JUST LIFE.
HOW 'BOUT YOU TRY TAKING THINGS A BIT MORE EASY?

MAKING A BREAKTHROUGH DISCOVERY,
IS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME CHANCE FOR A RESEARCHER!!
Ahh...
YEAH YEAH.

TOMONAGA -SENSEI.

I'M SORRY YOU HAD TO GO THROUGH THAT.


YOU'LL BE OK THOUGH. COME HERE, LET ME PAT YOUR HEAD.

KAYAMA -SENSEI...

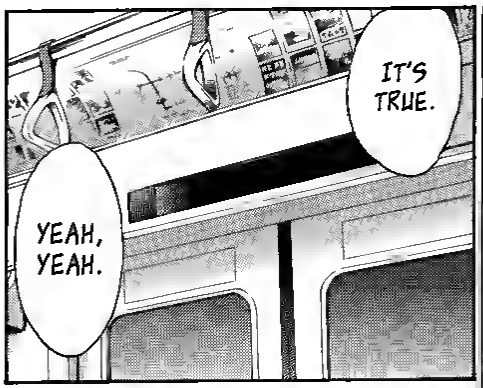
YURINE~ YOU CAN'T EAT HIM, ALRIGHT?
SHE IS SO DRUNK RIGHT NOW.
that someone's hand
I never knew,
THERE WE GO.
could be this soothing...

HEY, AOI.
WHAT IS IT, HARUKA -CHAN?
DO YOU MIND IF I STUDY WITH TOMONAGA TOO?
I CAN ONLY COME WHEN I DON'T HAVE MODELING WORK TO DO,
BUT, EVEN SO,
I...
HARUKA -CHAN...

AH, THAT'S ME.
THE NEXT STOP WILL BE KUGAYAMA.
MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ALL YOUR BELONGINGS BEFORE GETTING OFF.
OKAY, I'LL ASK HIM TOMORROW.
YOU MEAN IT? THANKS AOI!!
ALRIGHT, I'LL SEE YOU GIRLS TOMORROW.
THANKS AGAIN, AOI.
SO, YOU'VE BEEN STUDYING WITH TOMONAGA, HUH?
.....

EH?

AHH, IT'S FINE I'M NOT LIKE THAT WITH HIM.
HE REALLY IS JUST HELPING ME STUDY SOME STUFF...
HARUKA'S GONNA ASK HIM OUT AT THIS RATE.
YOU OKAY WITH THAT, AOI?


IT'S TRUE.
YEAH, YEAH.

OHH?
WELL, IF YOU SAY SO.

Ugh
I FEEL SICK.
COSMETIC

DON'T YOU GO PASSING OUT ON ME TOO!!
WE'VE ALREADY GOT SOMEONE PASSED OUT DRUNK OVER HERE,
SORRY, I'LL DRY NOD TO.

Hmm
DO I HAVE TO GO TO WORK TOMORROW?
THAT'S MY LINE HERE!!

So this is the secret to kanjo books...
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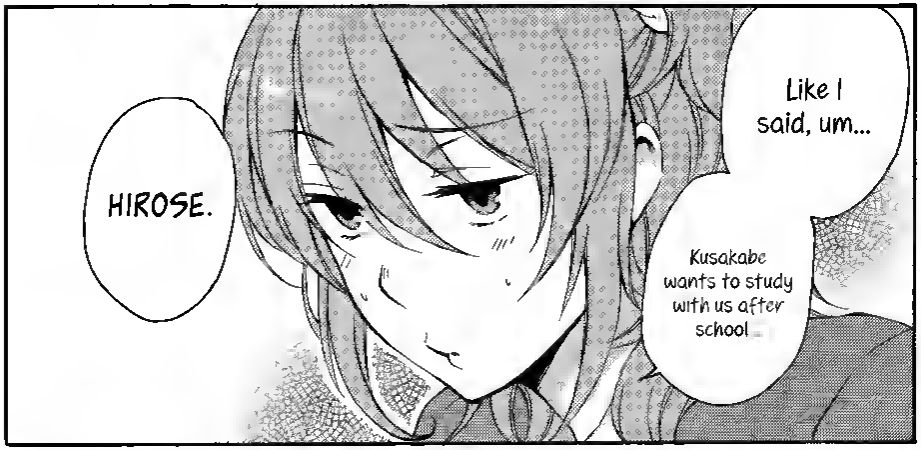
HUH?


HIROSE.
Like I said, um...
Kusakabe wants to study with us after school

THAT'S TRUE, BUT...

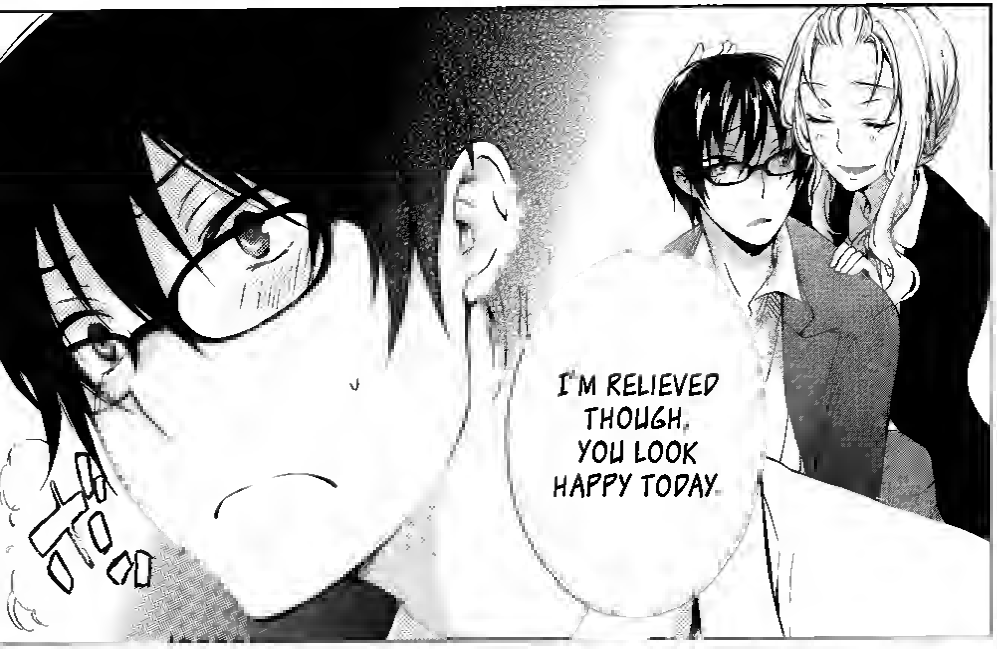
WAS IT NOT BECAUSE YOU WEREN'T SATISFIED WITH WHAT WAS BEING TAUGHT IN CLASS,
AND WANTED A PLACE TO STUDY IN SECRET FROM EVERYONE ELSE?

TELL ME, WHY DID YOU START COMING HERE?
.....

ARE YOU REALLY OKAY WITH IT?
I MEAN... IF YOU'RE OKAY WITH IT,
THEN I DON'T MIND, BUT...
I SEE WELL, AT LEAST LET ME SAY THIS:
...PROBABLY.
I DO THINK THAT KINDNESS IS A VIRTUE, BUT...
WILL YOU BE ABLE TO STEP OVER SOMEONE WHEN THE TIME COMES?
IF THERE EVER COMES A TIME YOU WANT TO MOVE FARTHER FORWARD, YOU'RE EVENTUALLY GOING TO HAVE TO STEP OVER OTHERS TO DO SO.

THIS IS A CURSE FROM ME, HIROSE.
YOU WILL DEFINITELY COME OVER TO THIS WORLD.
I-I STILL HAVEN'T SAID ANYTHING ABOUT GOING INTO THAT WORLD...!
NO.
Uu-
...Ah-
T-THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN KNOW THAT!!
POUR SALT IN MY WOUNDS WHY DON'T YA'.
...I'm sorry.
WHAT ABOUT YOU? DO YOU THINK YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO YOUR RESEARCH?
WELL, YEAH. IT'S JUST A GUT FEELING.

Eh
I LOOKED LIKE THAT?
AHH .. SO THAT'S WHY YOU LOOKED UPSET AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.


I'M RELIEVED THOUGH. YOU LOOK HAPPY TODAY.

NO, THIS IS NOTHING AT ALL!!
YOUR FACE IS ALL RED YOU KNOW.

AH-

TOUKO!?
AH.

Oh dear, I hope I'm not interrupting anything.
NO, IT'S FINE.
Quit acting like that.
WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?

What?

HEY, YUU, THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU.
HM? WHAT IS IT?
Guess it doesn't matter if Aoi hears.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF PERSON ONODA-SENSEI'S EX-WIFE WAS?
HMM... I THINK I ONLY MET HER ONCE A LONG TIME AGO...

WHY DO YOU ASK?
Yeah, why?
JUST BECAUSE.
...UH-HUH.

SHE WAS A FRAIL-LOOKING BEAUTIFUL WOMAN.. I THINK
The exact opposite of me!!

HRMM.

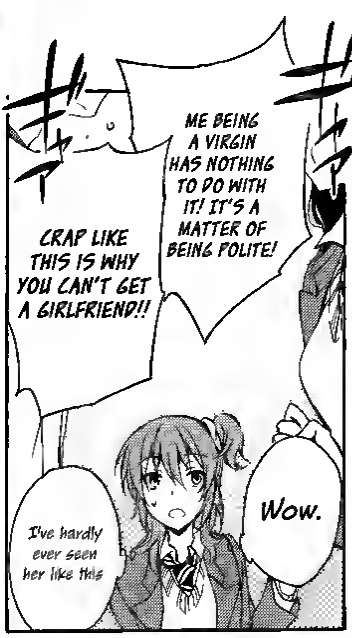
HOW'D THEY MEET?
WHAT? I DON'T KNOW THAT MUCH.

NO WAY.
IT'D BE WAY TOO EMBAR-RASSING.
WHY DON'T YOU JUST ASK HIM YOURSELF?

LIKE I COULD ASK SOMEONE HOW THEY MET THEIR EX-WIFE!
COME ON JUST DO IT! YOU BIG WIMP OF A VIRGIN!!

IF YOU THINK IT'S EMBARRASSING THEN DON'T-
HEY, YUU, DO ME A FAVOR
AND CASUALLY BRING IT UP NEXT TIME YOU SEE HIM.

FINE, I WON'T EVEN BOTHER ASKING YOU ANYMORE.
SEE YA.

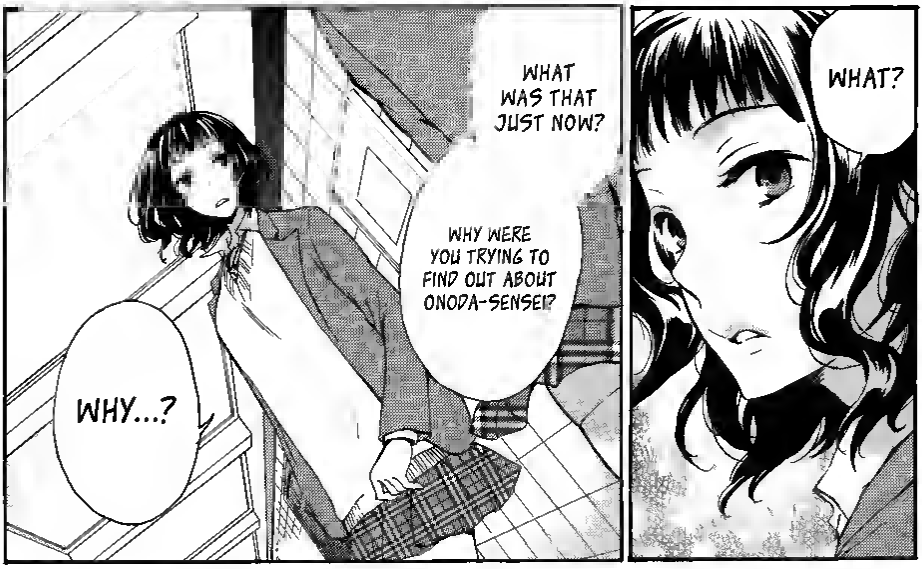

ME BEING A VIRGIN HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT! IT'S A MATTER OF BEING POLITE!
CRAP LIKE THIS IS WHY YOU CAN'T GET A GIRLFRIEND!!
I've hardly ever seen her like this
Wow.

THUD

WAIT,
TOUKO!!

HEY, HIROSE, WHAT JUST-

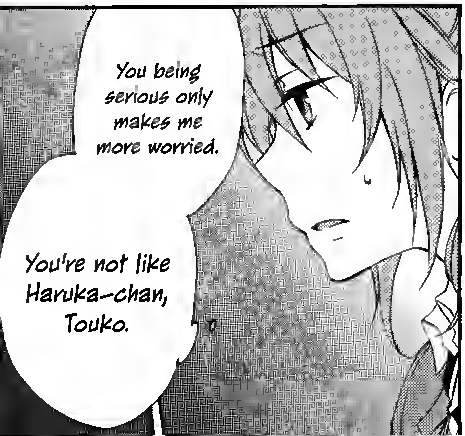
TOUKO, HANG ON!


WHAT WAS THAT JUST NOW?
WHY WERE YOU TRYING TO FIND OUT ABOUT ONODA-SENSEI?
WHY...?
WHAT?

HE'S A TEACHER!
YOU CAN'T, TOUKO!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH FINDING OUT ABOUT THE GUY YOU LIKE?
Y-

HARUKA, YOU, ME,
WE'RE ALL DOING THE SAME THING, AREN'T WE!?

I'm not even doing what you guys are.
WELL, YEAH, SORT OF,
BUT...


You being serious only makes me more worried.
You're not like Haruka-chan, Touko.

IT'S FINE, I'M SERIOUS THIS TIME.
DON'T GO TELLING ANYONE, ALRIGHT?

You won't choose the path that'll make you happiest, will you?
?
What the heck was up with Tohno just now...
I highly doubt it, but is she...
OH! TOMONAGA, GOT A CLASS TO TEACH THIS PERIOD?

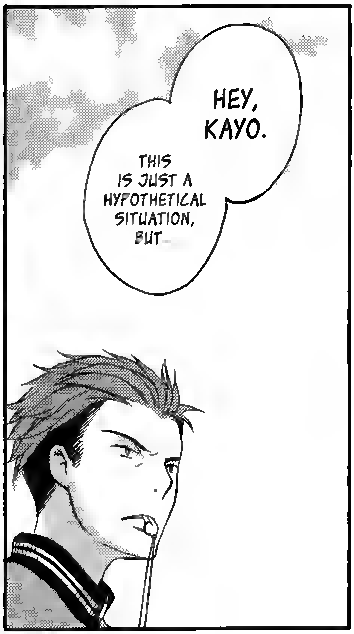
HUH!?
YOU HIT YOUR HEAD?
PLEASE TRY TO AVOID WALKING ALONE AT NIGHT FROM NOW ON.
NO, THAT'S NOT IT.

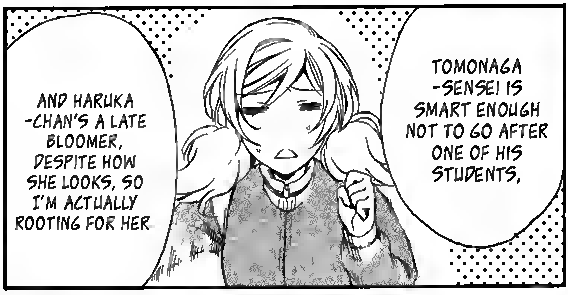
WHAT? IS THERE SOMETHING ON MY FACE?
I mean, he's gotta be about as old as their dads Hmm, but there are some girls with weird tastes out there

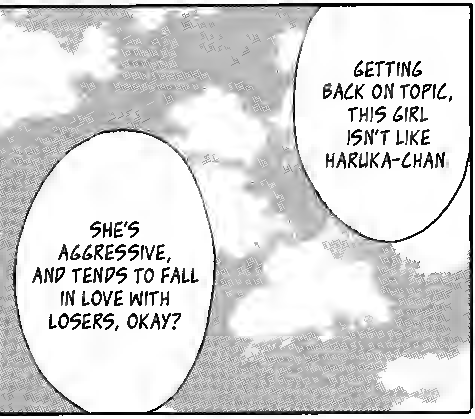
REALLY?
IT'S REALLY OKAY?

AOI, I LOVE YOU!!
I DIDN'T DO THAT MUCH.
YEAH, HE SAID IT'S FINE AS LONG AS YOU STAY QUIET.
Touko.
I want to help her, but I doubt she'll let me...

SUPPOSE A GIRL YOU KNOW FELL IN LOVE WITH A GUY SHE PROBABLY SHOULDN'T HAVE.
.....
YOU TALKING ABOUT HARUKA?
NOT QUITE.


HEY, KAYO.
THIS IS JUST A HYPOTHETICAL SITUATION, BUT...


TOMONAGA-SENSEI IS SMART ENOUGH NOT TO GO AFTER ONE OF HIS STUDENTS,
AND HARUKA-CHAN'S A LATE BLOOMER, DESPITE HOW SHE LOOKS, SO I'M ACTUALLY ROOTING FOR HER.


GETTING BACK ON TOPIC, THIS GIRL ISN'T LIKE HARUKA-CHAN.
SHE'S AGGRESSIVE, AND TENDS TO FALL IN LOVE WITH LOSERS, OKAY?

AHAHA, YEAH, HARUKA DOES MAKE IT PRETTY OBVIOUS SHE'S STILL A VIRGIN, DOESN'T SHE?
EH? DIDN'T SHE SAY SHE HAD A BOYFRIEND IN MIDDLE SCHOOL...?
SHE DID, BUT SHE NEVER EVEN LET THE GUY KISS HER.
I CAN'T GET IT OUT OF MY MIND!
STOP!! It went like this

YOU TALKING ABOUT TOUKO?

WHAT, SHE FALL IN LOVE WITH A MARRIED GUY THIS TIME?
NOT EXACTLY, BUT...
WELL, TOUKO KNOWS A LOT MORE ABOUT THAT KINDA STUFF THAN HARUKA DOES TOO

SHE DOESN'T REALLY LET PEOPLE INTO HER PRIVATE LIFE EITHER.
I WONDER HOW SHE ENDED UP BEING SO DEPENDENT ON GUYS IN THE FIRST PLACE.

ANYWAY, I THINK TOUKO'LL BE FINE.
WHY'S THAT?

TOUKO HAD A LOT OF STUFF HAPPEN WITH HER FAMILY.
SHE JUST DOESN'T WANT TO GO HOME.

'CAUSE, YOU KNOW HER PRETTY WELL, RIGHT?
HUH?
HOW DOES THAT MAKE HER FINE?
'CAUSE IT'S LIKE, "OH, JUST BRAGGING ABOUT YOUR BOYFRIEND? YEAH, YEAH, WHATEVER."
EH? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
Ehhhh?
DO I SMELL LIKE SWEAT FROM GYM CLASS?
YOU'RE FINE, I WAS THERE TOO, AND I'M FINE.
OKAY, I GUESS I'LL BE FINE THEN.
YOU ARE, TRUST ME.
Tomonaga-sensei's pretty dense anyway

HEY.
COME ON IN.

WE'RE HERE~

HARUKA-CHAN, HARUKA-CHAN!!

I USUALLY ONLY ASK FOR HELP ON THE PARTS I DON'T GET.
AOI...
DID YOU ALWAYS LIKE STUDYING THIS MUCH?

WHAT SUBJECT SHOULD WE START OUR INDEPENDENT STUDY WITH?
EH!?
INDEPENDENT STUDY!?

SO,
WHAT SHOULD WE DO TODAY?
LET'S SEE~
YEAH, THAT'S WHY I CAME, TO TRY AND IMPROVE MY GRADES SOME.
Kusakabe's actually pretty sharp.
Pen.
YOU DIDN'T DO THAT GREAT ON OUR FINALS IF I REMEMBER RIGHT...
Uhhh...
WHAT DO JUNIORS DO
IN THEIR PHYSICS ELECTIVE?
HM?
HEY...
HEY,
SENSEI.
KUSAKABE,
WEREN'T YOUR GRADES IN MATH PRETTY TERRIBLE?
WHY BRING MATH UP?

YOU STILL NEED TO HAVE AT LEAST SOME MATHEMATICAL KNOW-HOW TO GET BY.
YOU LEARNED THE BASICS OF NEWTONIAN MECHANICS, HEAT, ELECTRICITY, WAVES AND SUCH IN YOUR SCIENCE CLASSES, RIGHT?
WELL, HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL PHYSICS ONLY COVERS CLASSICAL PHYSICS,
WHICH DOESN'T REQUIRE YOU TO DO ANY OVERLY DIFFICULT CALCULATIONS, BUT...
WHAT A FOOLISH QUESTION...
Ueh, I suck at science.
HEY, WHAT USE IS THAT STUFF ANYWAY?
IN FACT, IT'D BE HARDER TO FIND SOMETHING THAT ISN'T BASED ON SOME PHYSICS FORMULA NOWADAYS.
UH-HUH.
EVERYTHING MADE BY HUMAN HANDS IS BASED ON FORMULAS FOUND IN PHYSICS
AND I MEAN EVERYTHING. FROM YOUR GPS TO YOUR MICROWAVE TO EVEN THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

HARUKA-CHAN, IF YOU DON'T QUITE GET IT WHY NOT GO TO THE SCIENCE MUSEUM?
YOU MIGHT FIND SOMETHING THAT INTERESTS YOU THERE.
HANG ON, LET ME CHECK MY SCHEDULE.
OK.
Good grief.
I THINK I'LL BE FREE THIS SATURDAY.
OKAY, THAT DAY'S FINE, RIGHT?
TOMONAGA -SENSEI
EH?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "EH?"
YOU'RE OUR TEACHER, IT'S YOUR JOB TO LEAD US, ISN'T IT?
BUT, UM...
EH!?
Please~ Sensei~
IS THIS...

A CHANCE FOR US THREE TO HAVE AN AFTER-SCHOOL LESSON TOGETHER!?
THIS ONE FEELS WRONG TOO!
AHHH
WHAT KIND OF CLOTHES, WOULD TOMONAGA LIKE?
HARUKA, QUIT SCREAMING LIKE AN IDIOT.

GIVE ME YOUR OPINION AS A GUY.
WHICH OF THESE DO YOU THINK LOOKS BETTER!?
HAYATO!! GOOD TIMING!
I THOUGHT IT WAS WEIRD YOU GOT UP EARLY ON YOUR OWN.
WHAT THE HECK IS THIS MESS IN HERE?
WHAT?
YOU'RE GOING ON A DATE?
IT'S NOT A DATE, BUT...
IT'S JUST AS IMPORTANT AS ONE.
That's right, even if this isn't a date,
.....
I THINK THE LEFT ONE LOOKS BETTER...
OKAY, THE RIGHT ONE IT IS!
YOU LITTLE!!

It's still a big chance Aoi gave me!
NOBODY'S HERE YET.
DID I GET HERE TOO EARLY?
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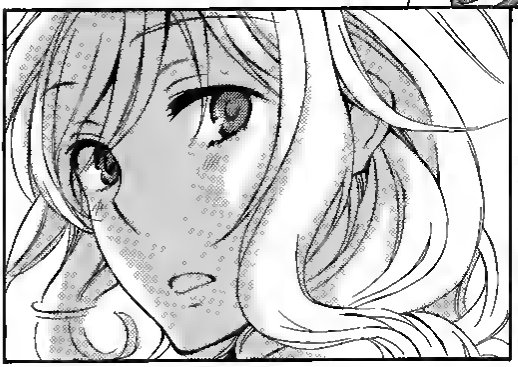

IT'S SO COLD OUT...
I HOPE THEY GET HERE SOON~
KUSAKABE.

SORRY, DID YOU WAIT LONG?
NO, I WAS A LITTLE EARLY ANYWAY
IT'S NO BIGGIE.

Ahaha
YEAH, NO KIDDING.
STILL, IT'S PRETTY COLD TODAY SHOULDN'T HAVE DECIDED TO MEET UP OUTSIDE
LOOKS LIKE HIROSE ISN'T HERE YET.
YEAH, I'LL TEXT HER IF SHE ISN'T HERE SOON.
HELLO?
HUH? IT'S AOI.
RING RING RING
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RING RING RING

I'VE GOT A FEVER. I DON'T THINK I CAN MAKE IT TODAY.
HARUKA -CHAN.
SORRY, COUGH
SORRY AGAIN.
...OK, SORRY.
YEAH, GO WITHOUT ME...
I WAS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT TOO.
cough
There we go.

I WONDER IF THEY'RE GONNA GET DIVORCED.

I'D PREFER IT IF THEY DIDN'T...

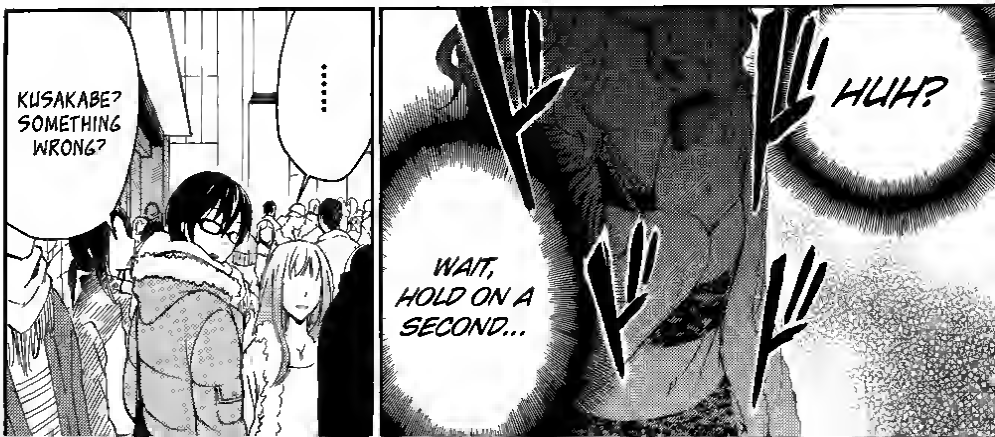
I wish this pain would just vanish into nothingness if no one's ever gonna notice it.

After all, feelings you can't put into words will never reach anybody anyway—

I WONDER IF TOUKO IS FREE TODAY.

HEY-
KUSAKABE?

WELL, LET'S GO THEN.
I SEE.
SHE SAID SHE HAS A COLD AND CAN'T COME...
WHERE'S HIROSE?


KUSAKABE? SOMETHING WRONG?
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WAIT, HOLD ON A SECOND...
HUH?

DID THIS JUST TURN INTO A DATE!?

Why are you walking like a robot now...

VEXED SCANS

A METHED TO MAKE THE GENTLE WORLD - 12

TYPESETTING: RELM
THE PITA REDRAWS: NASELARE
MONEY FOR THE RAWS: CRIMSON ♥
THE REST: VEXED

HARUKA X YUU DATE, BEGIN!!

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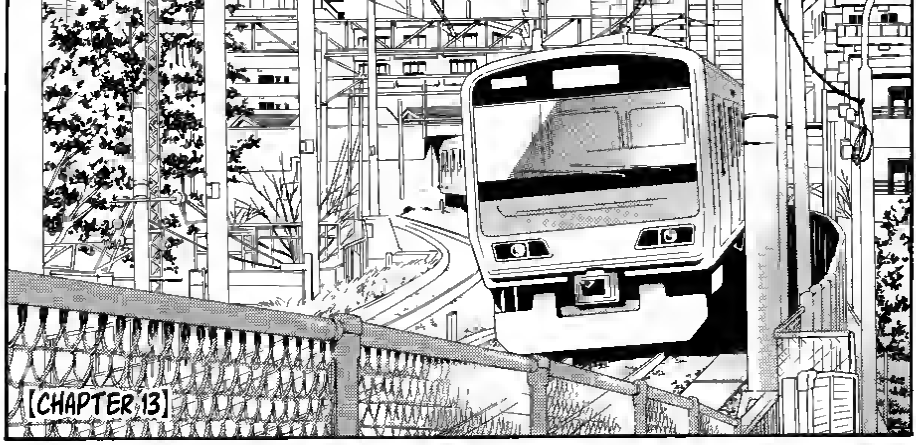
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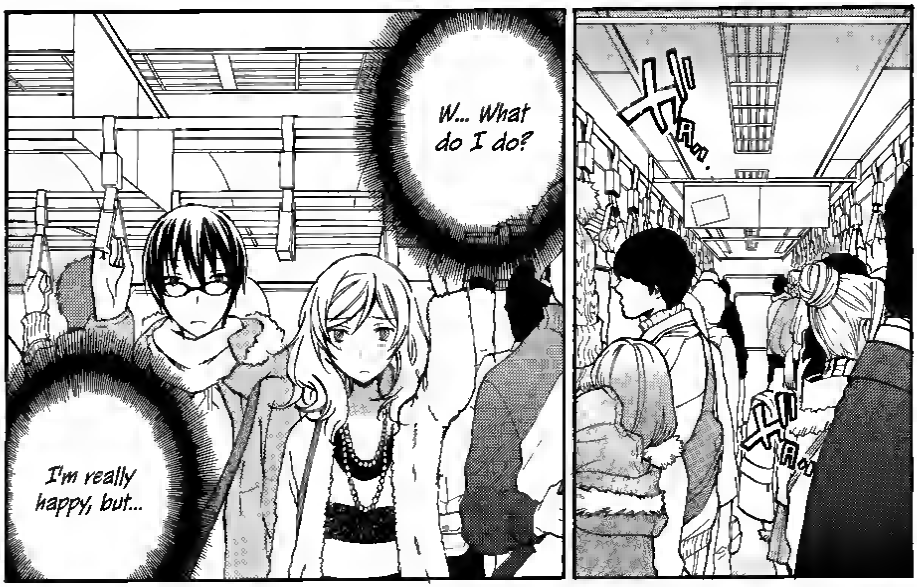
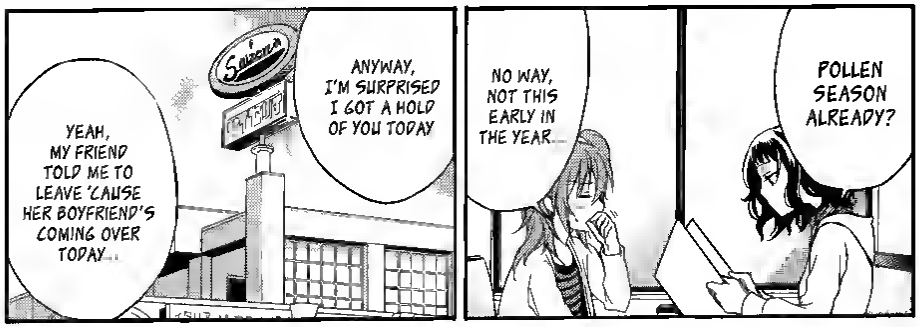
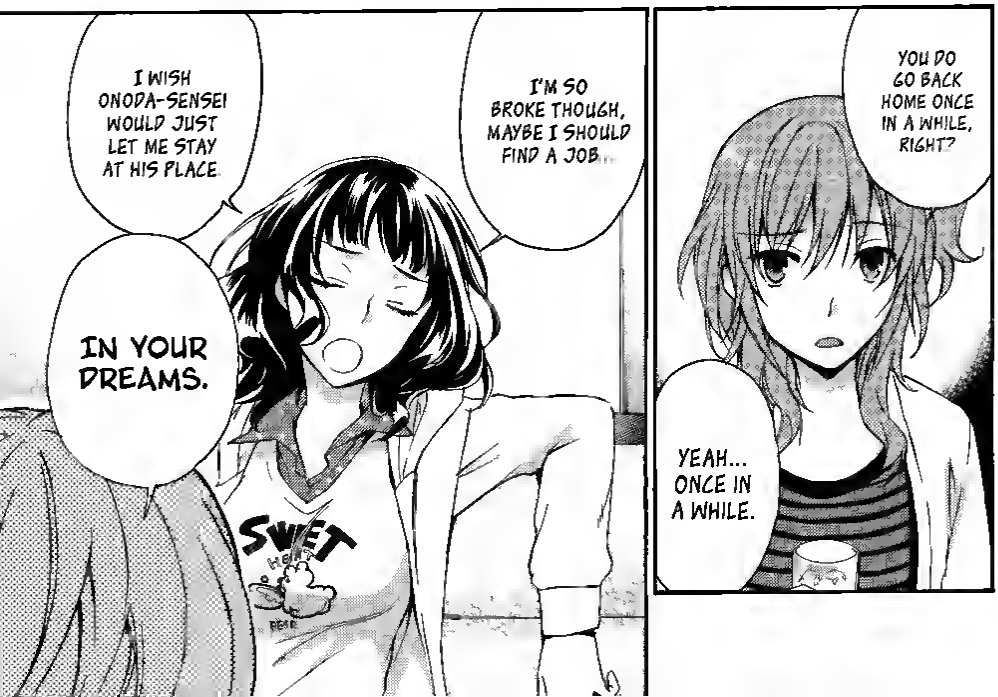

W... What do I do?
I'm really happy, but...
Ah...

This is way too sudden... I have no idea what to talk about...
Aoi... Aoi, you...

[CHAPTER 13] TOMORROW'S TORQUE
AOI YOU BIG FAT IDIOT!!

WOW, BIG SNEEZE.


ANYWAY, I'M SURPRISED I GOT A HOLD OF YOU TODAY
YEAH, MY FRIEND TOLD ME TO LEAVE 'CAUSE HER BOYFRIEND'S COMING OVER TODAY...
NO WAY, NOT THIS EARLY IN THE YEAR...
POLLEN SEASON ALREADY?


I WISH ONODA-SENSEI WOULD JUST LET ME STAY AT HIS PLACE.
I'M SO BROKE THOUGH, MAYBE I SHOULD FIND A JOB...
IN YOUR DREAMS.
YOU DO GO BACK HOME ONCE IN A WHILE, RIGHT?
YEAH... ONCE IN A WHILE.

BESIDES, HE'D GET FIRED IF HE EVER DID THAT ANYWAY...
YOU KNOW THAT, DON'T YOU?
IT'S SO WEIRD THOUGH.
WE'RE ALREADY OLD ENOUGH TO GET MARRIED AS LONG AS OUR PARENTS GIVE THE OK...
BESIDES,
TOMONAGA-SENSEI IS ON A DATE WITH HARUKA-CHAN RIGHT NOW ANYWAY...
SLAM!
You're both minors still and all
AH, I WONDER HOW THAT'D WORK FOR YOU AND TOMONAGA THOUGH
SWEET
SHEESH, WE'RE NOT LIKE THAT!

NO WAY!!
ABSOLUTELY NOT!!
COME ON, LET'S GO SPY ON THEM!!
WHAT!? WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT SOONER!?
SWEET HEART
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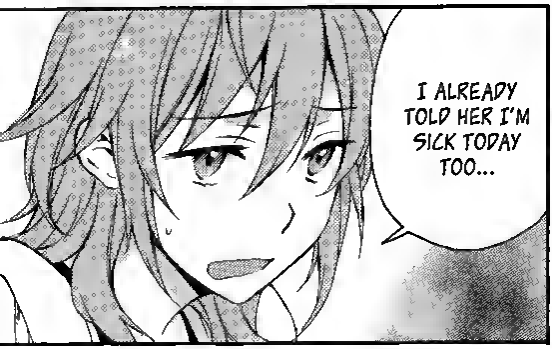
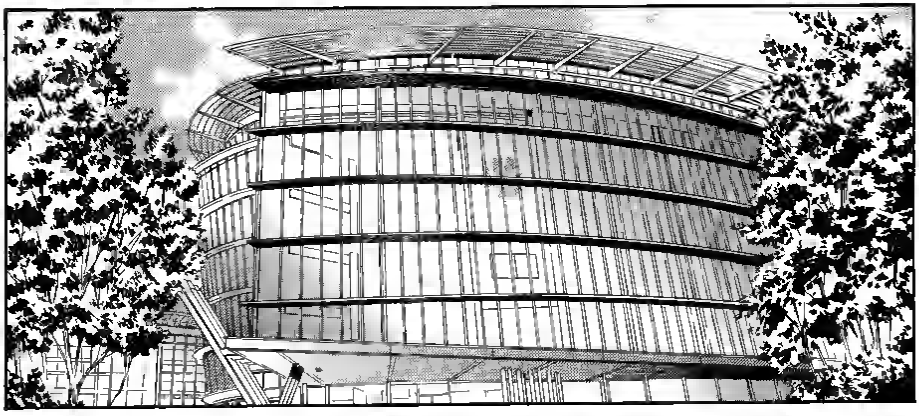
WHAT? WE'RE NOT GONNA SPY ON THEM!


I ALREADY TOLD HER I'M SICK TODAY TOO...

COME ON, WHY NOT?
BECAUSE, HARUKA-CHAN IS SERIOUS ABOUT HIM.
WOULDN'T YOU FEEL BAD IF YOU GOT IN HER WAY?

IT'S FINE AS LONG AS SHE DOESN'T FIND OUT~
NO!!!

SWEET



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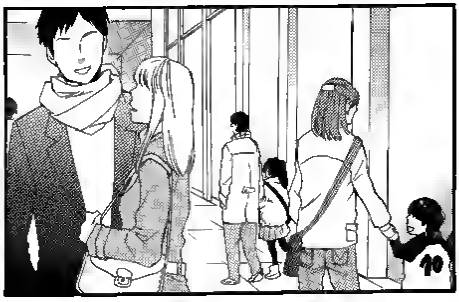

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HAVE YOU BEEN HERE BEFORE?

THIS BRINGS ME BACK...

We haven't had a real conversation all day... Does he hate me?
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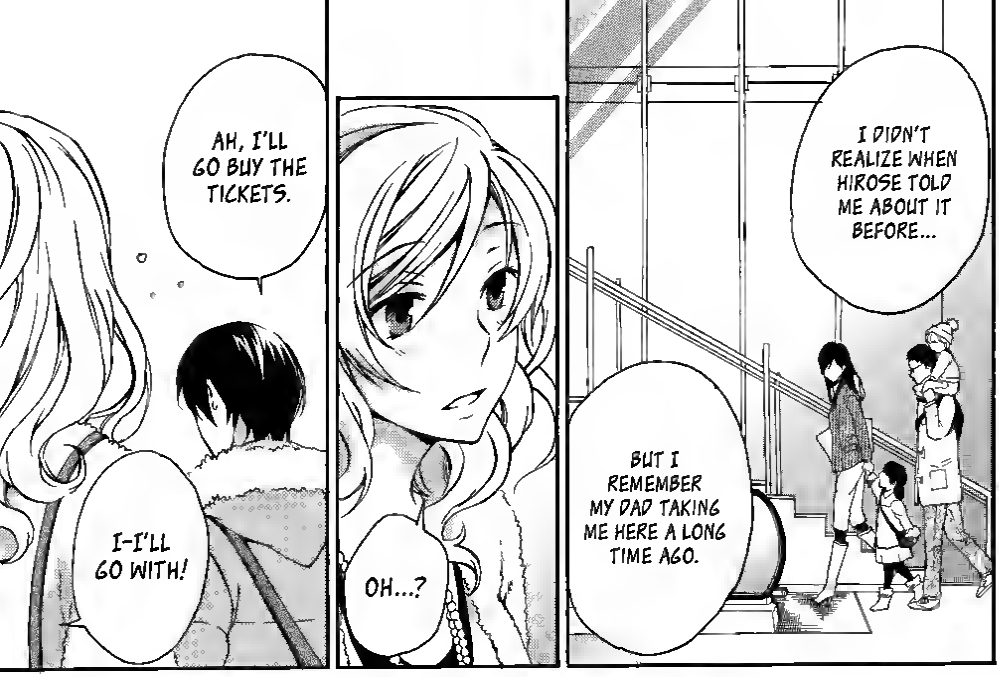
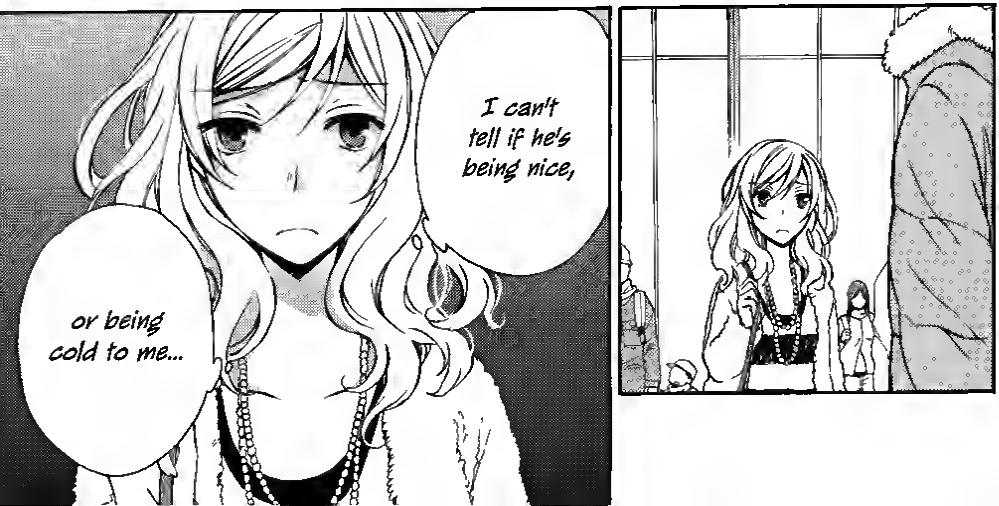
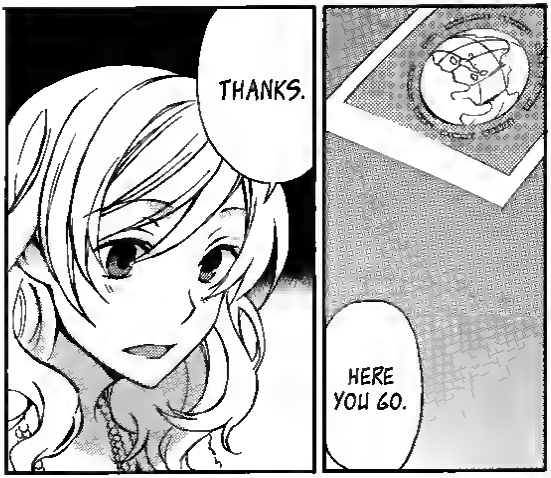
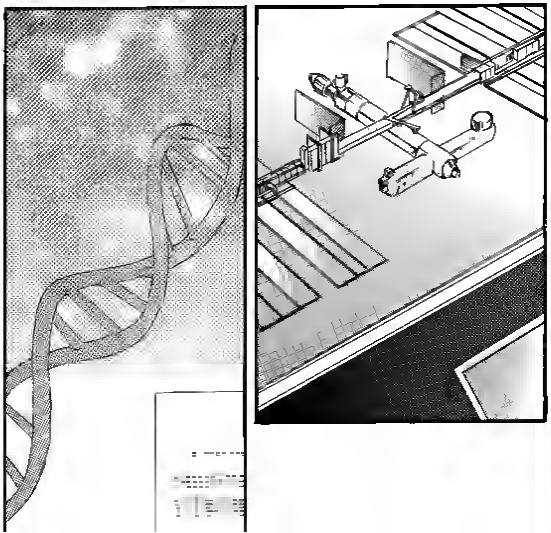

I DIDN'T REALIZE WHEN HIROSE TOLD ME ABOUT IT BEFORE...
BUT I REMEMBER MY DAD TAKING ME HERE A LONG TIME AGO.
OH...?
AH, I'LL GO BUY THE TICKETS.
I-I'LL GO WITH!

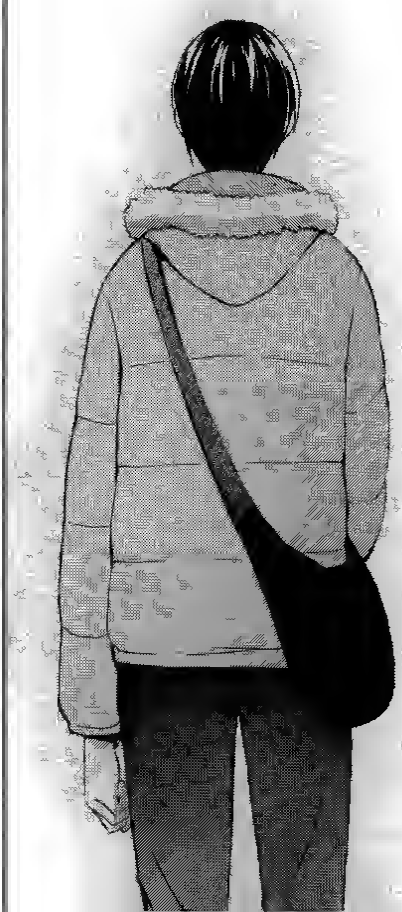
IT'S FINE.
THIS IS TECHNICALLY PART OF CLASS, I'LL PAY FOR YOU.


I can't tell if he's being nice,
or being cold to me...





Hey, can you tell me? How do I get you to look my way?



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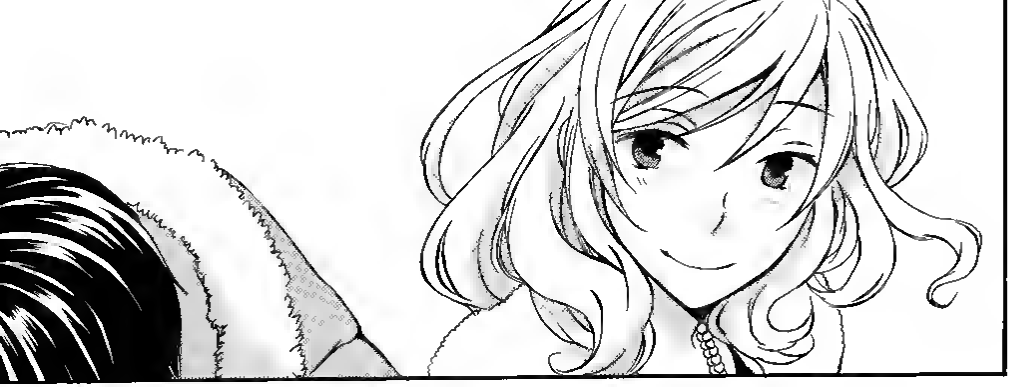
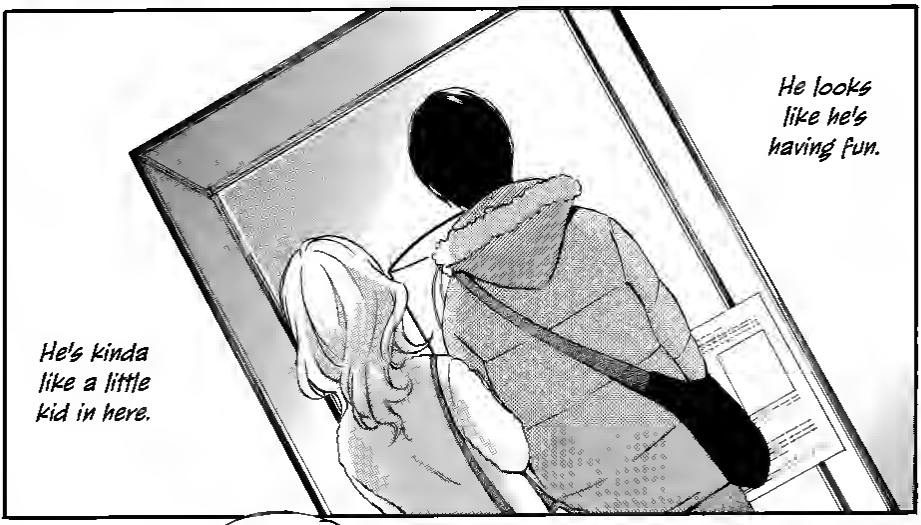
LOOK AT THIS, KUSAKABE.
IT'S PONDA'S ACID.
HRM, THIS WAS ON TV? I DON'T REMEMBER.
THIS LITTLE GUY IS AMAZING.
HUH? A ROBOT?
YOU NEVER SAW IT ON TV OR ANYTHING?
I'M IN A DIFFERENT FIELD, SO I DON'T KNOW ALL THE DETAILS,
BUT THIS GUY CAN WALK AT 10KM/H, AND AH, OF COURSE, RUNNING ISN'T ANYTHING SPECIAL A ROBOT
I don't really get it...

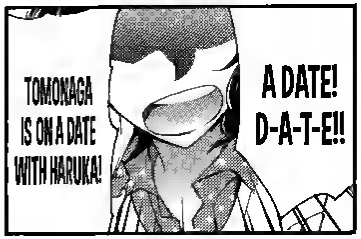
But...




He looks like he's having fun.
He's kinda like a little kid in here.

I CAN'T HEAR YOU, SPEAK UP
I SAID, LIKE

EH?
WHAT?


A DATE! D-A-T-E!!
TOMONAGA IS ON A DATE WITH HARUKA!

NO WAY? FOR REAL? AWESOME
I KNOW, RIGHT?

AOI OVER HERE SET UP THIS FUN LITTLE EVENT,
BUT DIDN'T EVEN TELL ME ABOUT IT...
SWEET
NNNN
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Ahaha
SOUNDS LIKE FUN, I'LL MEET UP WITH YOU GUYS AFTER THIS.
EH? WHERE AM I?
AT A FAN CONVENTION.
MORE OF YOUR HOMO CRAP?
IT'S CALLED BOYS LOVE.
SAME THING.
SEE YA' LATER THEN.
TOUKO YOU JERK!
DO YOU WANT TO GET IN HARUKA-CHAN'S WAY THAT BADLY!?
KAYO SAID SHE'LL COME BY LATER.
MEET
HEART

Hotel
New Castle
Wanna take a rest then? I know a good place.
Sensei, I'm kinda tired.
HARUKA'S PRETTY NAIVE YOU KNOW, SHE MIGHT STOP SOMEWHERE WITH HIM ON THE WAY HOME,
HE MIGHT BE MORE OF AN HERBIVORE, BUT YUU IS STILL A GUY IN HIS TEENS.
YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN HE MIGHT TURN INTO A WOLF.
AND GET HER CHERRY POPPED.
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CUT ME SOME SLACK.
I'M JUST WORRIED ABOUT HER, THAT'S ALL.

ERIOUSLY
E HARUKA
O MUCH
SHUT UP TOUKO, YOU JERK!
THAT'D NEVER HAPPEN!! HARUKA-CHAN ISN'T LIKE YOU TOUKO, SHE WOULDN'T DO THAT!

KUSAKABE...
ARE YOU STARTING TO GET A GRIP ON THINGS?
HM?
AHH... SORT OF.
I GET THAT THERE'S LOTS OF SMART PEOPLE BEHIND THE SCENES,
USING MATH, AND PHYSICS, AND FORMULAS TO MAKE BUILDINGS, AND ROBOTS AND A BUNCH OF OTHER STUFF...
TELL ME, WHY DID YOU WANT TO TAKE PHYSICS IN THE FIRST PLACE?
WELL, YEAH, THAT'S TRUE, BUT

AH. . I DON'T MEAN ANYTHING BAD BY IT.
YOU JUST DON'T SEEM LIKE YOU'D BE INTO PHYSICS, BASED ON YOUR GRADES.
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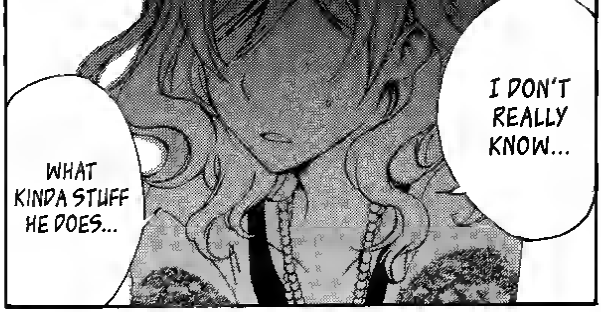
I WANTED TO KNOW MORE,
ABOUT THE STUFF THAT HE LIKES.
THE GUY I LIKE IS INTO THAT STUFF,
AND I...

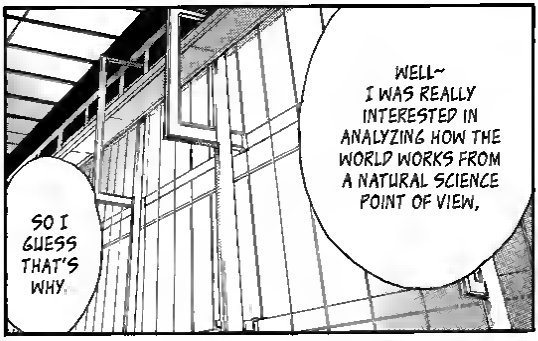

I DON'T REALLY KNOW...
WHAT KINDA STUFF HE DOES...

OH? WHAT FIELD IS HE IN?
ENGI-NEERING? ARCHI-TECTURE?

Is that why she wants know more...?
HRM.
HEY,

SENSEI, WHY DID YOU CHOOSE PHYSICS?

THAT'S ALL I DID EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE,
AND BEFORE I KNEW IT THOSE WERE THE ONLY KINDS OF BOOKS I READ.


WELL~ I WAS REALLY INTERESTED IN ANALYZING HOW THE WORLD WORKS FROM A NATURAL SCIENCE POINT OF VIEW,
SO I GUESS THAT'S WHY.

...Hm...? I can't seem to recall...
HUH. SO EVEN YOU FORGET STUFF SOMETIMES.
WHAT MADE YOU SO INTERESTED?
HRM...

UM,
ACTUALLY, MY SHOES HAVE KINDA BEEN SCRAPING MY FEET,
SOOO~ CAN WE STAY HERE A BIT LONGER?

WELL YEAH, I'M STILL HUMAN YOU KNOW.
ANYWAY, READY TO GO?
AH!

AH, OKAY. GIRLS SURE HAVE IT ROUGH, HUH.
SORRY.
IT'S FINE... I DON'T MIND, BUT...
AH.

SINCE WE CAME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE WANNA GO OVER THERE NEXT?
OVER THERE?
Y... YEAH.
YOUR FEET SHOULD BE OK HERE, SINCE WE CAN SIT AND ALL
OH, NICE, IT'S ABOUT TO START...
SD大パノラマ
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A panorama planetarium, huh...
We're so close, and it's so dark in here...
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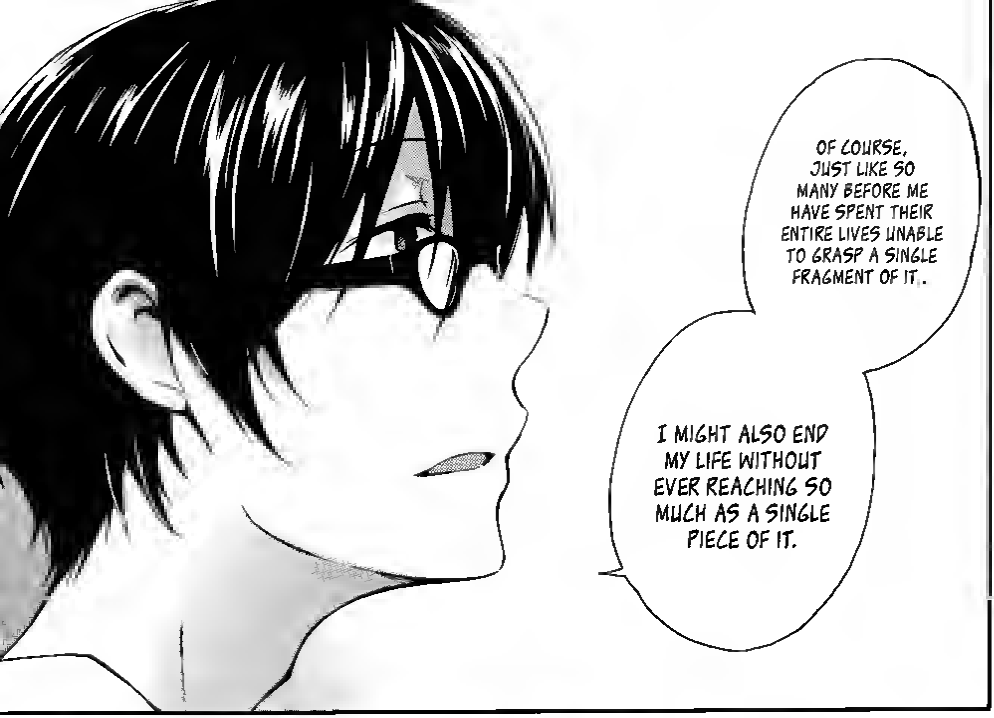
It's like we're really on a date.

SINCE ANCIENT TIMES, MANKIND HAS WATCHED THE STARS,
AND USED THEIR MOVEMENTS IN MANY FIELDS, INCLUDING AGRICULTURE
IN RECENT TIMES THE STARS HAVE BEEN HIDDEN BY THE LIGHTS OF OUR CITIES...
BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT STORY FOR THE ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIANS, WHO CONTINUE TO LIVE AS THEIR ANCESTORS DID YEARS AGO

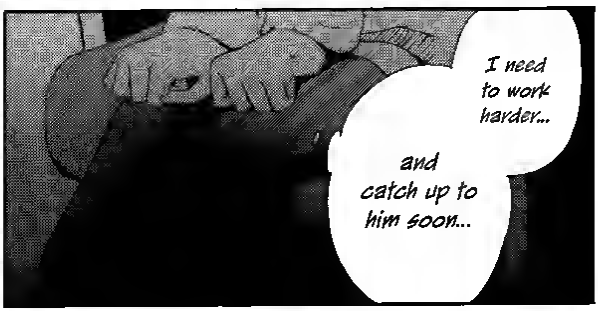
trying to figure out how exactly
this beautiful world we live in works.
AND NOW, THANKS TO THE INVENTION OF THE HUBBLE TELESCOPE
WE CAN SEE THE DEPTHS OF THE COSMOS MORE CLEARLY THAN EVER BEFORE.
Now I remember.
I saw a meteor shower with my parents
and after seeing that mysterious sight I racked my young brain

A LONG TIME AGO... I WENT TO SEE THE STARS WITH MY PARENTS.
AND WHEN I SAW THEM, IT MADE ME REALIZE HOW SMALL I REALLY AM COMPARED TO THE EARTH.
TO SAY NOTHING OF WHEN COMPARED TO THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE.
WE'RE ALL INCREDIBLY TINY WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT...
BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHY.
I WANTED TO REACH OUT AND GRAB A PART OF THIS WORLD'S TRUTH, NO MATTER HOW SMALL.


OF COURSE, JUST LIKE SO MANY BEFORE ME HAVE SPENT THEIR ENTIRE LIVES UNABLE TO GRASP A SINGLE FRAGMENT OF IT.
I MIGHT ALSO END MY LIFE WITHOUT EVER REACHING SO MUCH AS A SINGLE PIECE OF IT.

Ahh...
Now I see...
ANYWAY, THAT'S WHY I CHOSE THIS PATH.

Because it won't be long before he...


I need to work harder...
and catch up to him soon...

goes back
to the place
he belongs.

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE FELT THIS WAY.
TODAY WAS A LOT OF FUN.
井の頭線
Inokashira Line
THANKS FOR TAKING ME.
WELL, SEE YOU AT SCHOOL...
.....
HEY!
IF YOU'VE STILL GOT SOME TIME,
THEN HANG OUT WITH ME... A BIT LONGER.

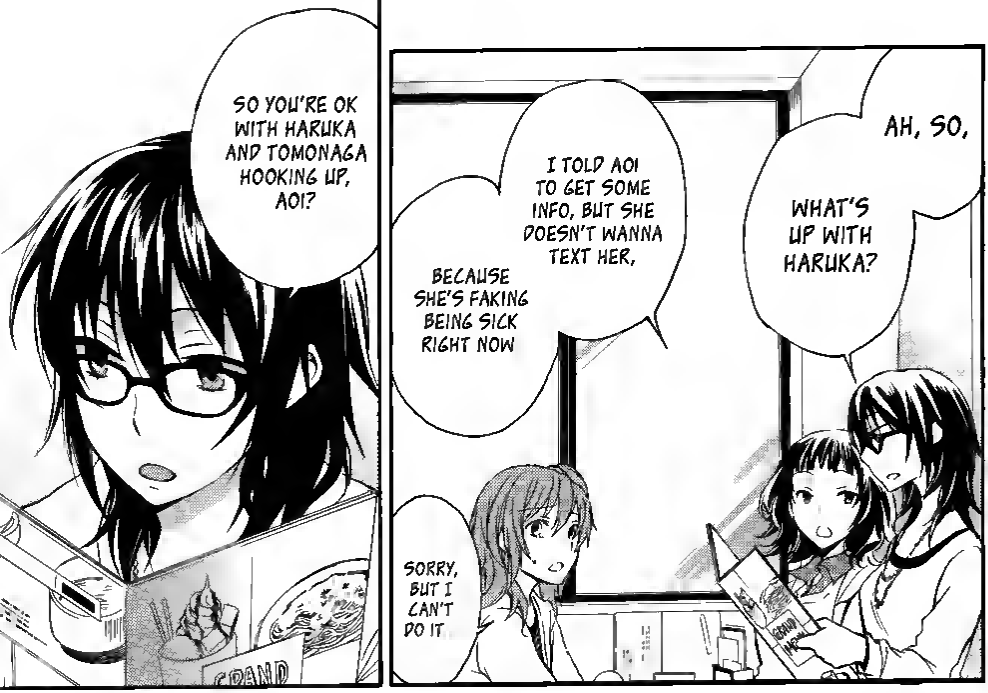
Salzerra
OHHH?
AND?

THEN GET A PART-TIME JOB, IT AIN'T THAT HARD.
WORKING'S GOOD FOR YOU, AND BESIDES, I DOUBT YOU'VE GOT ANYTHING ELSE TO DO NOW THAT YOU'RE SINGLE
YEAH, BUT THEN I'D NEED MY PARENTS' SIGNATURE

YOU SPENT THE WHOLE DAY GLUED TO THIS DRINK BAR?
SHUT IT, I'M BROKE, ALRIGHT?

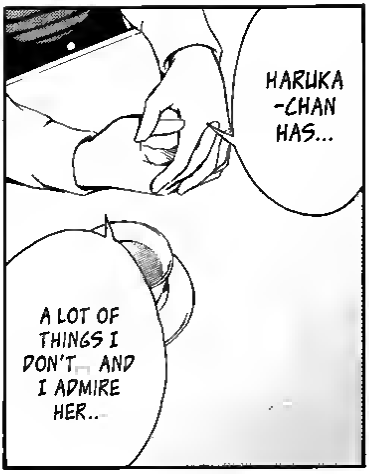
Sorry... I just don't get that world.
I'M SURE YOU COULD DO IT EASY.

YOU LOOKED GOOD AT THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL, WHY NOT GIVE IT A SHOT?
I CAN GET YOU A JOB AT THE MAID CAFE I WORK AT
...A maid cafe...?


SO YOU'RE OK WITH HARUKA AND TOMONAGA HOOKING UP, AOI?
AH, SO, WHAT'S UP WITH HARUKA?
I TOLD AOI TO GET SOME INFO, BUT SHE DOESN'T WANNA TEXT HER,
BECAUSE SHE'S FAKING BEING SICK RIGHT NOW
SORRY, BUT I CAN'T DO IT

YEAH, IF THAT'S WHAT HARUKA-CHAN WANTS,
THEN I THINK THAT'D BE BEST.

AOI... JUST HOW NICE ARE YOU?
ARE YOU STILL NOT READY TO BE IN LOVE?
AH, OR IS HARUKA THE ONE YOU'RE HEAD OVER HEELS FOR?
Eh...?


HARUKA -CHAN HAS...
A LOT OF THINGS I DON'T... AND I ADMIRE HER...

UMM...
IT'S WHAT I DO.
OHH, I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT!
NICE ONE, MS. GENDER EQUALITY.

SO I...
WANT HER TO BE HAPPY...

HOW DOES THAT MAKE ANY SENSE!?
YEP, IT'S LOVE FOR SURE.
YEP, IT'S LOVE ALL RIGHT.
SWEET
GRAND MEAN

I FEEL SO OUT OF PLACE HERE.
I wanted to be with him some more, so I asked him to help pick out a present for my dad, but...
was it a bad idea to bring him to a place like this?
AH.
HEY, SENSEI.
HM?
I BET YOU'D LOOK GOOD IN THIS.
ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOMETHING?

HONESTLY, I'VE THOUGHT THIS FOR A WHILE NOW, BUT
YOUR CASUAL CLOTHES ARE SO LAME!
MY LITTLE SISTER TELLS ME THE SAME THING,
BUT THIS IS NORMAL OVER IN AMERICA...
AH, THERE'S A SALESMAN HERE TOO NOW.
MIGHT AS WELL TRY SOME STUFF ON.
I'll pick out the clothes for you
Are they on a date?
N-NO, I'M FINE.

LOOK, FOREIGNERS CAN GET AWAY WITH A T-SHIRT AND JEANS BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE BODY FOR IT,
BUT JAPANESE PEOPLE CAN'T!!
AH... BUT...
COME ON, HURRY UP AND GET CHANGED!

You wear it like this
I TOLD YOU, THIS STUFF ISN'T FOR ME.
IT'S NOT BAD, BUT IT FEELS OFF...
OKAY! WE'LL TRY SOME OTHER STUFF INSTEAD!
Gimmie a sec to pick some clothes
YOUR GIRLFRIEND,
I'VE SEEN HER BEFORE.
SHE'S A MODEL FOR SOME MAGAZINE, ISN'T SHE?
NO, SHE'S NOT MY...

I'VE
IT'S ABOUT KUSAKABE'S PUNISHMENT
AND
THEN I'LL TAKE THAT RISK
Ohh?
REALLY?
IT WAS IN A MAGAZINE MY LITTLE SISTER BOUGHT,
BUT I'VE SEEN HER A LOT LATELY

Looks like Kusakabe's working towards her goal too.

DOES IT REALLY LOOK LIKE WE'RE ON A DATE...?
STILL...
MY GIRLFRIEND, HUH...?
AH, OK...
ANYWAY, I'LL GO HELP YOUR GIRLFRIEND OUT.

HEY, TRY THIS ON NEXT!
If anything I'd say it feels more like I'm out with my little sister.

AH...
YEAH.

HRM...
THIS FEELS WRONG TOO.
HOW'S THAT?
HMM, IT'S KINDA STIFF.
MAYBE IT'S THE GLASSES?
MIND IF I MESS WITH YOUR HAIR?
WA
NO... YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE TO-
JUST SIT STILL AND BE QUIET!
SEE? I WAS RIGHT, YOU LOOK BETTER THIS WAY...
YOU SHOULD DO THIS ALL THE TIME, YOU DON'T LOOK HALF BAD.

DON'T GO FALLING FOR ME NOW, ALRIGHT?
Uuu.
Damn itt~
WH-
She's got her work cut out for her...
Hahaha
OH YEAH, YOU SAID THERE WAS SOME OTHER GUY YOU LIKE, DIDN'T YOU.
DON'T BE AN IDIOT!!
AS IF I'D EVER FALL FOR YOU!!
Ahhh.
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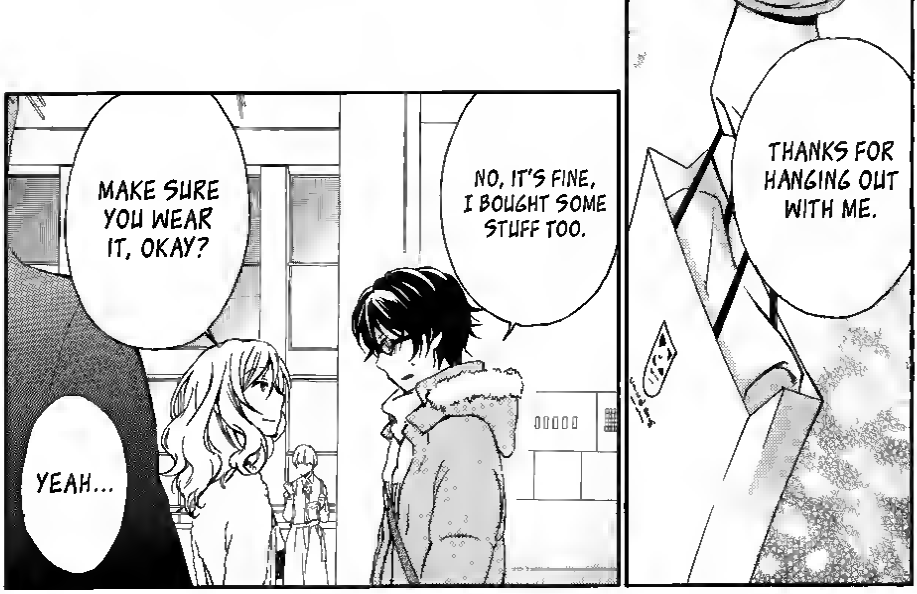
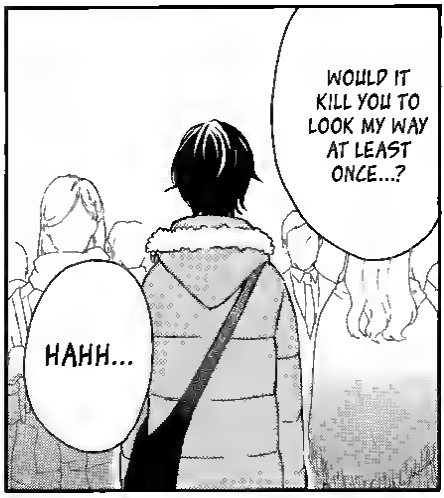
FOREVER 21


THANKS FOR HANGING OUT WITH ME.
NO, IT'S FINE, I BOUGHT SOME STUFF TOO.
MAKE SURE YOU WEAR IT, OKAY?
YEAH...

SEE YOU LATER.
YEP, LATER.


WOULD IT KILL YOU TO LOOK MY WAY AT LEAST ONCE...?
HAHH...

I lied.
The truth is,
I super totally love you.

It's almost Valentine's day too...
I really am such an idiot...!

AH.

FOR REAL? BRING HER WITH YOU NEXT TIME.
BUT SHE WENT HOME WHEN I TOLD HER YOU WERE HERE.
YEAH, I WAS WITH MY PARTNER IN CRIME EARLIER
partner
ring ring ring
Salzerra

UHMM...
WHAT'D SHE SAY?
IT'S FROM HARUKA-CHAN.
FOR REAL!?

ring ring ring
I'm glad she had fun.
MAN, I'M DISAPPOINTED IN YOU HARUKA.
WHAT, IS THAT ALL THAT HAPPENED?

HERE, YOU CAN READ IT.
ey feeling better?
et plenty of rest okay?
he two of us went to the cience museum together
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It was suuuper suuuper fun!
It was like we were on a date!
My heart was pounding nonstop.
I was all like (〃ω〃)!!
Next time you have to come with though!!
Hope your cold goes away soon, see you on Monday~
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I CAN'T HELP IT, I'M NOT STRONG LIKE YOU ARE.
YOU SHOULD GO HOME SOON TOO THOUGH, TOUKO.
EVEN THOUGH ALL THEY DO IS FIGHT AND IGNORE YOU?
YOU'RE GONNA GO HOME AND LEAVE ME HERE?
AH, THIS ONE'S FROM MOM.
SHE WANT YOU TO COME HOME?
YEAH.

HONESTLY SPEAKING,
AOI IS WAY STRONGER THAN I AM.
I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO SMILE LIKE SHE DOES IF I WAS IN HER POSITION.
SEE YA~
BYE.
JERK~

BUT SHE'S SO STRONG,
THAT I FEEL LIKE SHE'S NEVER SHOWN ME THE REAL HER.
IT'S LIKE SHE'S ALWAYS WEARING A MASK.
AND SOMETIMES,
IT MAKES IT HARD TO BE AROUND HER.

Huhhh?
.....
MORNING, HARUKA -CHAN
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
.....
...I self-destructed.
Eh?

AND THEN I GOT ALL EMBARRASSED AND TOLD HIM "AS IF I'D EVER FALL FOR YOU!!"
HE WAS JOKING AROUND AND SAID, "DON'T GO FALLING FOR ME NOW"
Geez!!
o.o

CAN'T ASK HIM OUT FOR A WHILE NOW, HUH
I GUESS THAT I...

IT'S NOT LIKE IT MADE THINGS AWKWARD, BUT...

TOMONAGA -SENSEI!!

to make that face!

I never wanted Haruka-chan,

FEELING BETTER NOW?
Umm... yes.
AH.
HIROSE?
HM? WHAT ARE THOSE CLOTHES FOR?
AH...
KUSAKABE PICKED THEM OUT FOR ME YESTERDAY,
BUT I'M NOT SURE HOW TO WEAR THEM THE RIGHT WAY,
SO I WAS GONNA GO ASK HER AGAIN.
SENSEI, CHANGE INTO THOSE CLOTHES!
EH!?
NOW!!
Guess I was worried for nothing.

AIKAWA.
HERE.
ANDOU.
HERE.
I'LL BE TAKING ATTENDANCE NOW.
Things are going just fine.
KUSAKABE.
HERE!
Good for her.
That's one step forward.
You've been pretty happy ever since Yuu came here,
you know that, Aoi...?
Hrmm.

I know she wants to help Haruka out and all,
but I just hope she doesn't regret it one day.
There's gotta be something going on between her and Yuu
but I doubt she'd ever tell me about it.

Quit tryin to look cool
That Iwaizumi is so lame!

VEXED SCANS

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TYPESETTING: RELM
THE PITA REDRAWS: NASELARE
MONEY FOR THE RAWS: CRIMSON ♥
THE REST: VEXED

YURI FLAGS ON PAGE 116? YOU DECIDE.
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SORRY, I'M DONE NOW.
THANKS FOR ALWAYS COMING WITH ME
NO, IT'S FINE.
DON'T SWEAT IT.
IT'S KINDA SCARY BEING ALONE IN A PREP ROOM OR A CLASSROOM ANYWAY
ESPECIALLY IN YOUR CASE
YEAH.
I LIKE HOW YOU PUT UP WITH IT BEING SCARY,
JUST TO BE WITH TOMONAGA -SENSEI MORE THOUGH, IT'S CUTE~
DON'T TEASE ME.
Besides, if I didn't you'd end up getting closer to him than me.

EH...
ANYWAY, WHAT'S A CUTE LITTLE HARUKA LIKE YOU, GOT PLANNED FOR VALENTINE'S DAY?
YEP, LATER.
SORRY... I'M NOT SURE YET...
OH...

WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU HAVE TO HURRY OR ANYTHING.
TOMONAGA -SENSEI'S HELPED ME OUT A LOT TOO,
SO I FIGURED I'D GIVE HIM SOME REGULAR "THANK-YOU" CHOCOLATE
WANNA GIVE HIM SOME TOGETHER?
IT'D BE BETTER THAN GIVING HIM NOTHING AT ALL, IF YOU ASK ME.
AOI...
SORRY FOR ALWAYS MAKING YOU HELP ME LIKE THIS..
DON'T BE, IT'S FINE.
AH, BUT WHAT SHOULD WE DO FOR THE CHOCOLATE?
GOTTA BE HANDMADE, RIGHT?
OH, DO YOU KNOW SOME CHOCOLATE RECIPES, HARUKA-CHAN...?
.....
U-UM,
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
Same here...

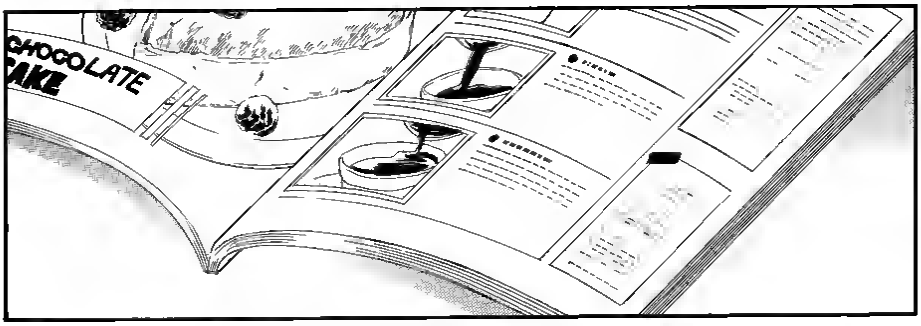
[CHAPTER 14]
STOMACHION CHOCOLATE

THIS SIMPLY WON'T DO, TOMONAGA -SENSEI.
EVER SINCE YOU CAME HERE, THE STUDENTS TAKING YOUR CLASSES HAVE HAD THEIR PHYSICS GRADES DROP BELOW WHAT THEY WERE LAST YEAR. THEY SAY YOUR CLASSES ARE TOO HARD...
Nag
YOU MAY HAVE GONE TO A FIRST-RATE UNIVERSITY IN AMERICA,
Nag
BUT WE NEED YOU TO TEACH OUR STUDENTS AT A MORE REASONABLE LEVEL.
I KNOW WE AGREED TO LET YOU INDULGE IN YOUR RESEARCH IN THE PREP ROOM WHEN YOU TOOK ON THIS POSITION,
BUT YOU NEED TO CONSIDER WHAT YOUR MAIN JOB HERE IS... TOMONAGA -SENSEI, ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
Yeah...

Man that was long...
MADE IT OUT ALIVE I SEE.
WHAT WAS SHE CHEWING YOU OUT ABOUT?
APPARENTLY MY CLASSES ARE TOO HARD FOR THE STUDENTS,
SO SHE WANTS ME TO MAKE THEM A BIT LESS DIFFICULT...

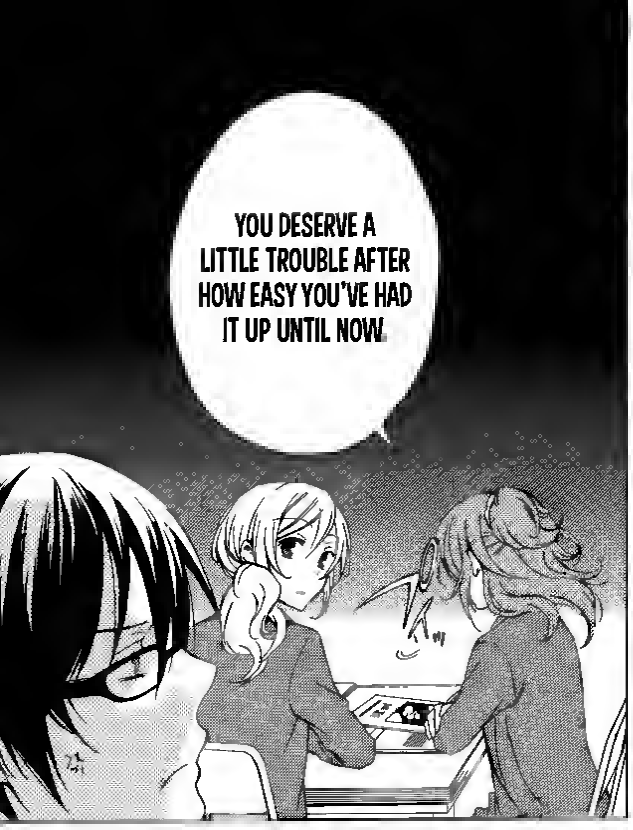
TEACHING IS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT.
MAKES SENSE, WE DON'T HAVE MANY STUDENTS HERE AS SMART AS YOU WERE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL.
WELL, TEACHING IS KINDA LIKE A SERVICE JOB ANYWAY, SO JUST GO WITH THE FLOW FOR NOW
UH-HUH.

SO YOU WERE ALL TALK AFTER ALL.


CHOCOLATE CAKE

WELCOME BACK.
AH, YEAH. HEY.
HAAAAA.
THIS LOOKS GOOD, BUT DO YOU THINK WE CAN MAKE IT?
IT'S JUST SOME CHOCOLATE,
BUT IT'S STILL IMPORTANT...

HEY, CAN I ASK YOU GUYS SOMETHING?
ARE MY CLASSES HARD TO FOLLOW?
SOMETHING HAPPEN?
That was a pretty big sigh
I CAN FOLLOW YOU JUST FINE.
.....
DON'T ASK ME, I'M STILL REVIEWING MIDDLE SCHOOL MATERIAL.
I'M NOT EVEN ON ANY OF THE STUFF YOU TEACH YET.
THIS IS ALL SO HARD FOR ME...
I'VE BEEN HAVING ALL KINDS OF TROUBLE LATELY.
WHY ASK?
IT'S 'CAUSE APPARENTLY LOTS OF STUDENTS STARTED HAVING TROUBLE IN PHYSICS SINCE I CAME HERE...
I'M PRETTY SURE ALL THE STUFF I COVER FALLS UNDER CLASSICAL PHYSICS THOUGH.


YOU DESERVE A LITTLE TROUBLE AFTER HOW EASY YOU'VE HAD IT UP UNTIL NOW.

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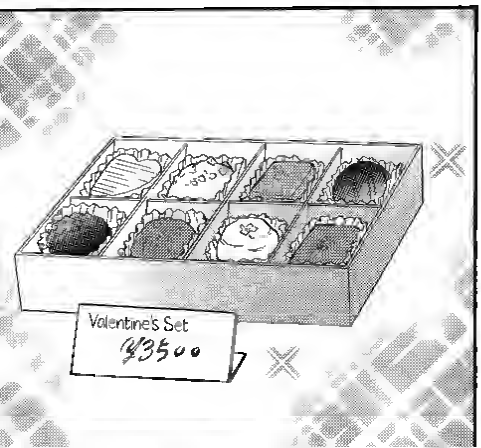
Valentine's Set
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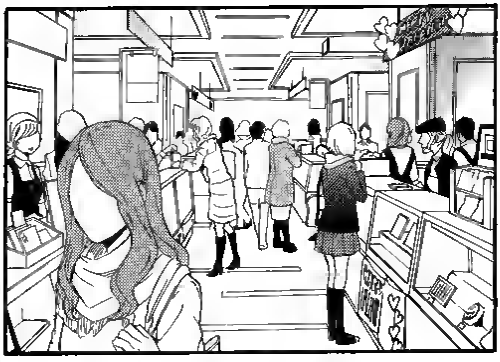
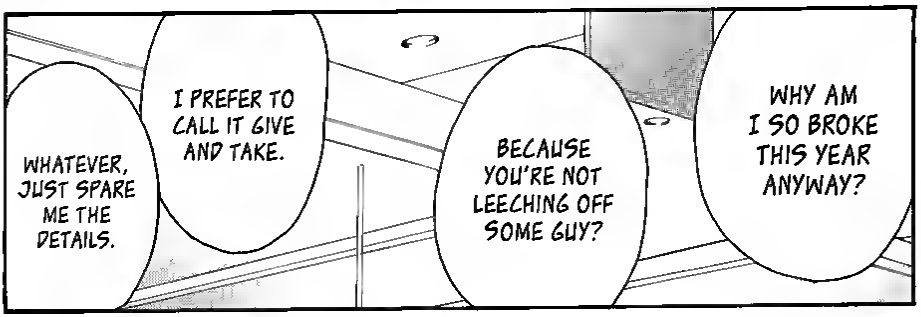
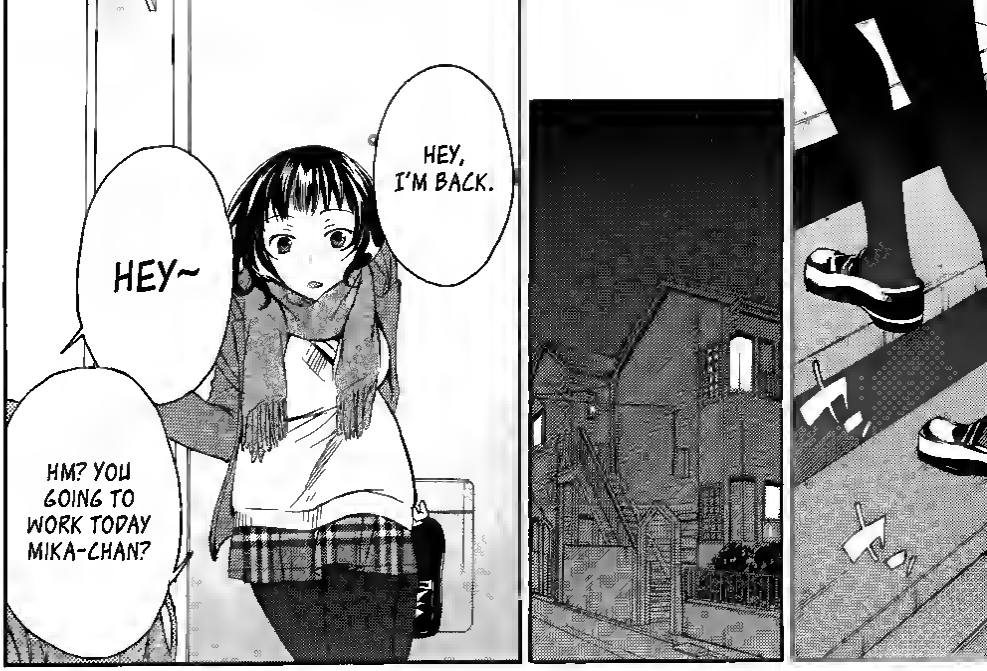


WAY TOO EXPENSIVE!

THE GIRL I'M STAYING WITH NOW DOES THAT,
BUT FROM WHAT I'VE HEARD IT'S KINDA SKETCHY...
YOU'RE UPTIGHT ABOUT THE WEIRDEST STUFF.
THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU TO GET A PART-TIME JOB.
WHY NOT WORK AT A CABARET CLUB?
HEY, WHY DOES SOMETHING SO SMALL COST SO MUCH?
CUT IT OUT, YOU'RE ACTING PATHETIC.


WHATEVER, JUST SPARE ME THE DETAILS.
I PREFER TO CALL IT GIVE AND TAKE.
BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT LEECHING OFF SOME GUY?
WHY AM I SO BROKE THIS YEAR ANYWAY?

YOU'RE A TRUE FRIEND!!
Eh... Wait, is that above best friend or not?
I MAKE SOME EVERY YEAR ANYWAY, SO...
IF YOU'RE THAT BROKE THEN JUST MAKE SOME CHOCOLATE YOURSELF.
WANNA MAKE SOME WITH ME?
THE 2D ONES ARE OTHER GUYS' BOYFRIENDS, NOT MINE.
UWAH... TALK ABOUT RAUNCHY.
DUNNO, I'M KINDA JEALOUS SHE'S GOT A GUY SHE LIKES THOUGH.
THINK THAT SCAREDY CAT'LL ASK HIM OUT?
WONDER WHAT HARUKA'S GONNA DO.
Guess I'll invite her and Aoi too
YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF BOYFRIENDS THOUGH, IN THE 2D WORLD!
AH, I GOTTA GO THIS WAY.
SEE YOU TOMORROW.
SEE YA.


HEY, I'M BACK.
HEY~
HM? YOU GOING TO WORK TODAY MIKA-CHAN?

OH, OKAY.

NAH...
SORRY TOUKO, MY BOYFRIEND IS COMING OVER SOON

OH, OKAY.
ALSO, I'M GONNA START LIVING WITH HIM NOW

YOUR PARENTS ARE PROBABLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, RIGHT?
YOU'RE STILL A MINOR TOO AND ALL.
YEAH.
THANKS FOR LETTING ME STAY HERE SO LONG
HEY,
YOU SHOULD GO BACK HOME SOON.
I wish I was an adult already.
I wish—

I'd always wanted to be grown-up.
I wanted to be kind, pretty, and smart, just like my big sister.
My beloved older sister, who was nothing like me.
I just...
HEY, TOUKO -CHAN.
SO YOU CAN BE MORE LIKE HER?
wanted to be like her.
WANNA TRY DOING THE STUFF YOUR BIG SISTER DOES,
That was all I ever wanted, and yet...

I'm sorry
I'm sorry
I'm sorry

Someone like me
My big sister was the most important person in the world to me, and I ruined her happiness.
has no right to go home.
Can't go to Yuka's place.
Definitely not Aoi's...
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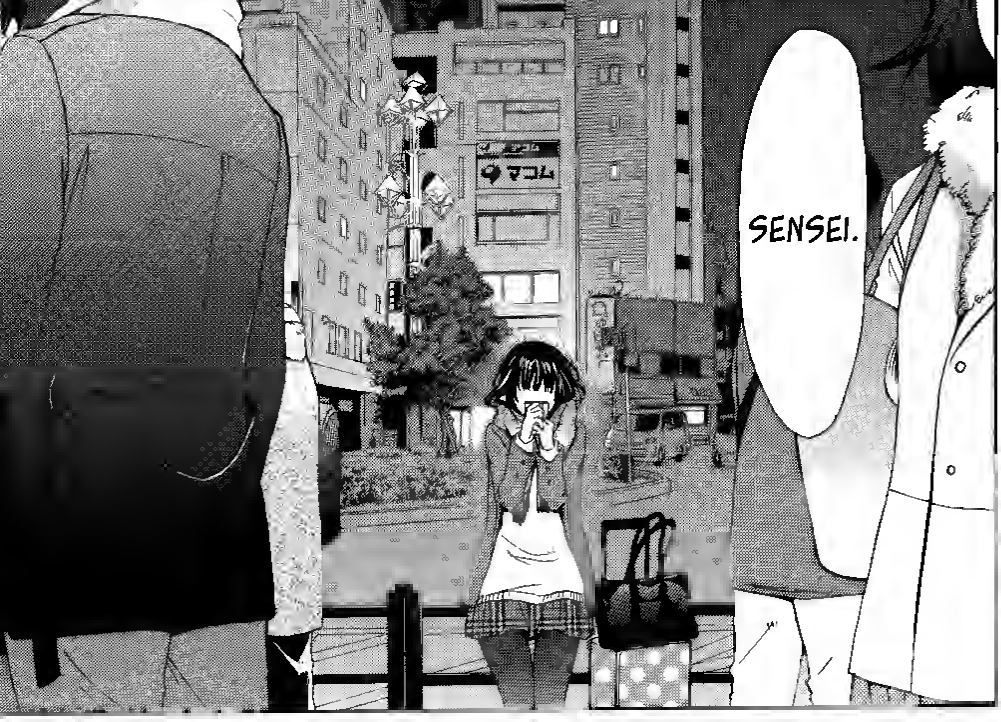
All Contacts
Kayo
Reiji Onodera
Yuuri
Haruka
Staying with a guy would be a pain.
Maybe Kayo or Haruka will let me stay for a night.

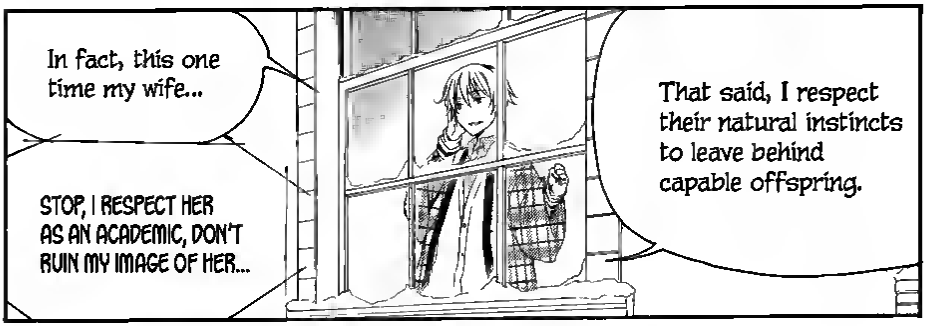

SENSEI.

BIG BRO, YOUR PHONE'S RINGING.
AHH, SORRY.
BZZ

BZZZ
BZZ
Leon Berkley
Tamaki, what're you making there?
SHOULDN'T YOU ANSWER YOUR PHONE?
PROTOTYPES FOR MY VALENTINE'S DAY CHOCOLATE.
WOW, REALLY? GIVE ME SOME TOO IF THEY COME OUT GOOD, OKAY?
THAT WAS MY PLAN ALL ALONG.
ALSO DON'T WORRY, I'VE NEVER FAILED AT MAKING SWEETS OR ANYTHING ELSE.
ANYWAY, CAN YOU GET YOUR PHONE NOW?
It's annoying and wasting electricity!
BZZ

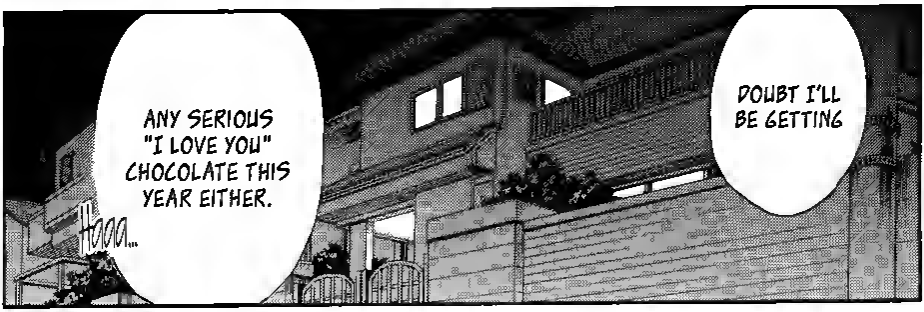
FINE BY ME, BE A DROPOUT AS MUCH AS YOU WANT.
I'LL TAKE OVER THE LAB IN YOUR PLACE, JUST WAIT AND SEE.
AH, THAT'S NOT WHY I CALLED THOUGH.
So, are you still not coming back here?
NO COMMENT.
Hello, Mr. pain in the ass.
HOW RUDE.
Professor Morgan's?
SHE'S PROFESSOR BERKLEY NOW.
IF YOU'RE GONNA BE IN JAPAN A WHILE LONGER, MIND HELPING MY WIFE WITH HER LECTURE?
YOU'D BE THE PERFECT ASSISTANT SINCE I DOUBT YOU'D MAKE A MOVE ON HER, AND YOU'D KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. WON'T NEED AN INTERPRETER WITH YOU THERE EITHER.
What, you want me to work for free?
RELAX, I'LL OWE YOU ONE IF YOU EVER NEED MY HELP.
I HAVE NO IDEA WHY THAT BRILLIANT WOMAN CHOSE YOU OF ALL PEOPLE.
It's 'cause I spent six years seducing her. It was the hardest thing I've done in my entire life.

THEY'RE JUST PUTTING UP A FRONT.
Hrm...
Girls are delicate creatures, unlike us guys...
CAN'T SAY I AGREE WITH YOU AFTER BEING SURROUNDED BY THEM OUT HERE.
BY THE WAY, HOW'S YOUR LITTLE TOY BEEN DOING LATELY?
She's been more motivated ever since you provoked her, but...
she still seems to be on the fence.


In fact, this one time my wife...
STOP, I RESPECT HER AS AN ACADEMIC, DON'T RUIN MY IMAGE OF HER...
That said, I respect their natural instincts to leave behind capable offspring.

AGA...
Just remember, if it's a weekday I might not be able to get the day off to help.
OK, I'LL LET HER KNOW. OH, ALSO I WAS THINKING OF GOING OVER TO HANG OUT
ANYWAY, YEAH, I WON'T BE ABLE TO GO OUT THERE, SO TAKE CARE OF MY WIFE FOR ME, OK?
ALL I KNOW IS IT'LL BE SOMETIME IN APRIL.

Oh, right... It's almost Valentine's day.
Making me deal with all his crap again.
I knew he was nothing but a pain in the ass...


ANY SERIOUS "I LOVE YOU" CHOCOLATE THIS YEAR EITHER.
Hooo...
DOUBT I'LL BE GETTING

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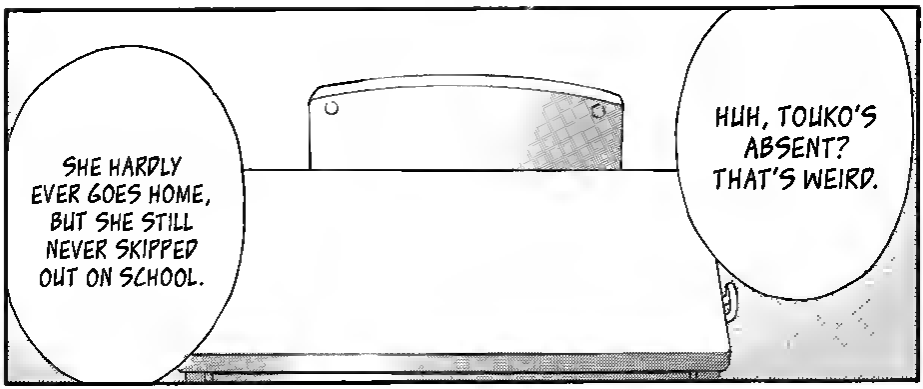
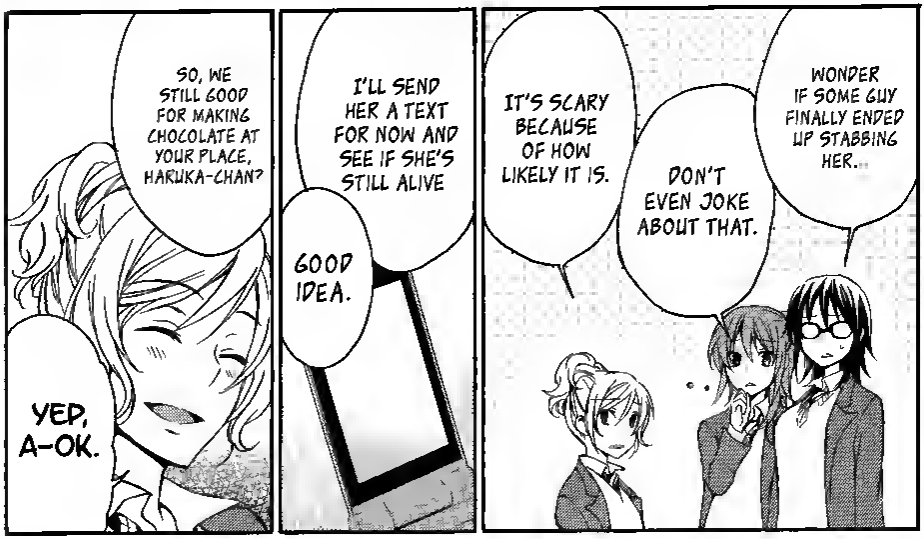
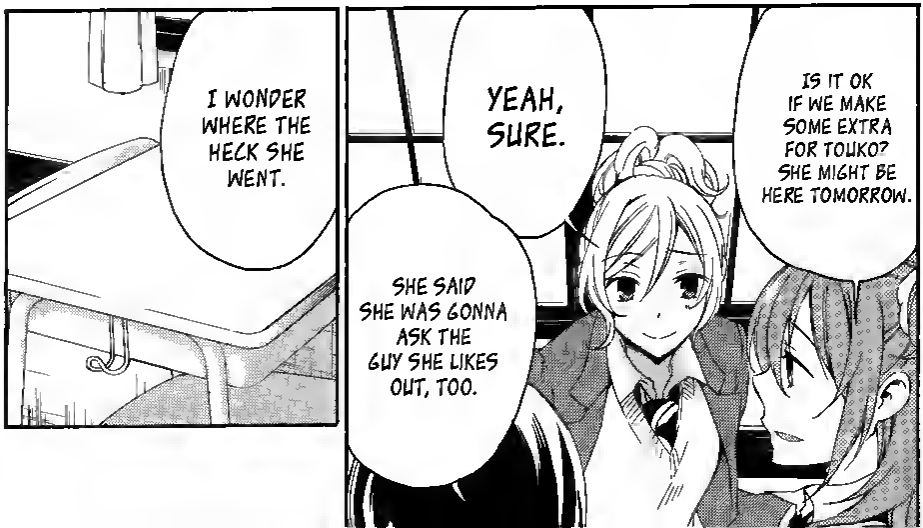

HUH, TOUKO'S ABSENT? THAT'S WEIRD.
SHE HARDLY EVER GOES HOME, BUT SHE STILL NEVER SKIPPED OUT ON SCHOOL.


SO, WE STILL GOOD FOR MAKING CHOCOLATE AT YOUR PLACE, HARUKA-CHAN?
YEP, A-OK.
I'LL SEND HER A TEXT FOR NOW AND SEE IF SHE'S STILL ALIVE
GOOD IDEA.
IT'S SCARY BECAUSE OF HOW LIKELY IT IS.
DON'T EVEN JOKE ABOUT THAT.
WONDER IF SOME GUY FINALLY ENDED UP STABBING HER...

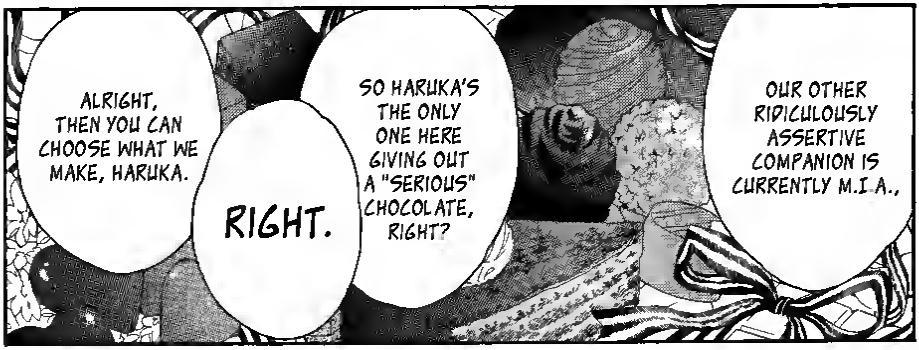

I WONDER WHERE THE HECK SHE WENT.
YEAH, SURE.
SHE SAID SHE WAS GONNA ASK THE GUY SHE LIKES OUT, TOO.
IS IT OK IF WE MAKE SOME EXTRA FOR TOUKO? SHE MIGHT BE HERE TOMORROW.

I MEAN, I BROUGHT A COOK BOOK, BUT...
DO EITHER OF YOU KNOW ANY CHOCOLATE RECIPES?
SO, BY THE WAY,

I KNOW A FEW RECIPES WE CAN USE.
OH, DIDN'T I TELL YOU TWO?

WATCH IT YOU TWO.
A FUJOSHI IS MORE GIRLY THAN US!?
WHAT!? FOR REAL!?

Eh?
SO, WHAT KIND DO YOU WANNA GIVE TO TOMONAGA?
WOW, GARDEN OF MAIDENS, HUH...
OF COURSE I KNOW HOW TO MAKE SWEETS.
I WAS RAISED IN THE GARDEN OF MAIDENS.


ALRIGHT, THEN YOU CAN CHOOSE WHAT WE MAKE, HARUKA.
RIGHT.
SO HARUKA'S THE ONLY ONE HERE GIVING OUT A "SERIOUS" CHOCOLATE, RIGHT?
OUR OTHER RIDICULOUSLY ASSERTIVE COMPANION IS CURRENTLY M.I.A.,

YES, KAYO -SENSEI~
THEY'RE EASY TO MAKE THOUGH, SO I GUESS THAT'S FINE YOU TWO READY?
SO PLAIN!!
YEP, PLAIN ALRIGHT.
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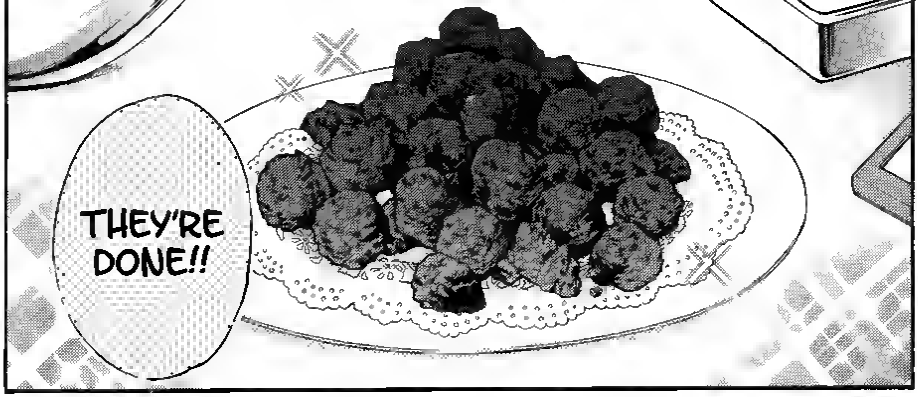
Um, OK, how about truffles then?


THEY'RE DONE!!

IT REALLY HELPED HAVING KAYO HERE THOUGH.
YEAH, NO KIDDING.
WOW, THAT WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY EASY.
Heheh, you got that right.

HUH?
YOU'RE GONNA ASK TOMONAGA OUT TOMORROW, RIGHT?
GOOD LUCK!

EH?
YOU'RE NOT GONNA ASK HIM OUT?
I THOUGHT YOU WENT ON A DATE AND EVERYTHING WITH HIM!!
WHY DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT!?
WELL, WHATEVER BASICALLY, ON OUR DATE..
TOMONAGA SPENT HARDLY ANY TIME LOOKING AT ME,
AND WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT HOW HE'LL EVENTUALLY GO BACK TO WHERE HE BELONGS...
I JUST DIDN'T FEEL LIKE IT'D GO VERY WELL...
THAT MAKES SENSE.
IT'D PROBABLY BLOW UP IN YOUR FACE IF YOU ASKED HIM NOW.

WAIT, HUH?
You are way too soft on her!!
N-No Im not!
YEAH, SO AOI SAID I MIGHT AS WELL GIVE HIM SOME KIND OF CHOCOALTE,
EVEN IF IT'S JUST-
THANKS FOR HAVING US OVER.
COME BACK ANY TIME YOU LIKE
GOING HOME ALREADY? YOU'RE WELCOME TO EAT DINNER WITH US..
THAT'S OK, WE'LL BE FINE.
OH MY.

HARUKA -CHAN'S MOM.
REALLY FEELS LIKE SHE'S HARUKA -CHAN'S MOM. DOESN'T SHE?
YEAH. HER WHOLE FAMILY GETS ALONG REALLY WELL
MY FAMILY'S NOTHING COMPARED TO HOW FRIENDLY THEY ARE
REALLY?

STILL, HARUKA'S NOT GONNA ASK HIM OUT, HUH? THAT STINKS.

YOU HELPED HER REALIZE IT'S STILL TOO SOON TO ASK HIM OUT
THAT ALONE MAKES IT WORTH IT, DON'T BEAT YOURSELF UP OVER IT.
OKAY.

DO YOU THINK I WAS TOO PUSHY?

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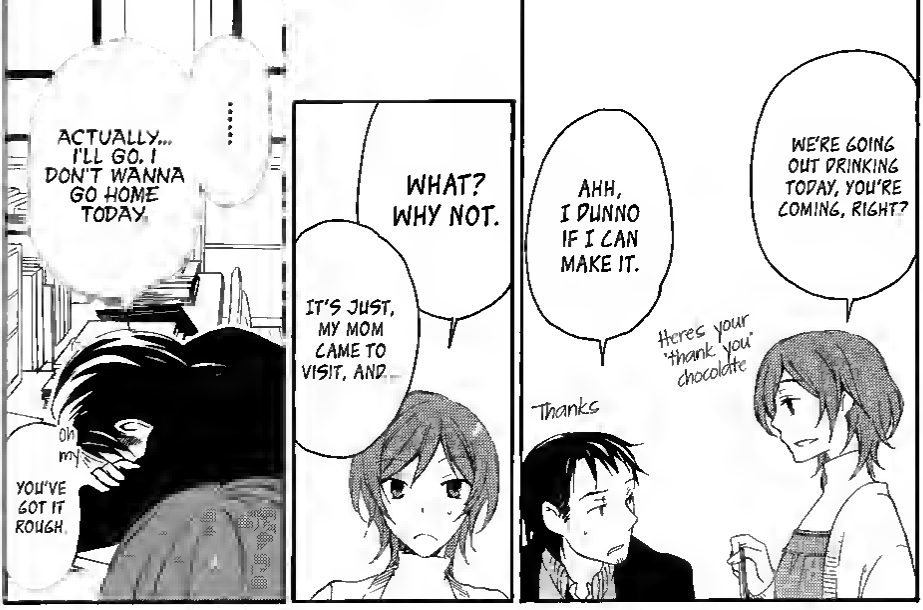
UH-OH...
EH?
NOW?
THE SOONER THE BETTER.
YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO TRY TWICE AS HARD IN TOUKO'S STEAD
SHE'S ABSENT AGAIN.
SHE TOLD ME IT WAS JUST A FEVER LAST NIGHT, BUT...
TOO BAD SHE HAS TO MISS IT WHEN SHE WAS THE MOST EXCITED
YOU'RE SUCH A BABY, HARUKA.
SHUT UP!!!
You're not even asking him out
職員室
COME ON, LET'S GO.
But... Wait, I'm not ready yet.

I GOT A BUNCH FROM THE STUDENTS ALL OF A SUDDEN
RIGHT AFTER I GOT HERE.
AHH, TOMONAGA.
BIG HAUL YOU'VE GOT THERE.
OHH? THEN I GUESS YOU DON'T NEED ANY CHOCOLATE FROM THE FEMALE TEACHERS THEN.
No no, I do.
AH, NO FAIR.
TAKI-SENSEI, YOU ALREADY GAVE HIM YOURS?
YOU CAN TREAT ME TO DINNER ONCE IN RETURN.
UH-HUH...
ANYWAY, HERE'S ONE ESPECIALLY FROM ME
SINCE WE'RE DRINKING BUDDIES
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

HERE, TOMONAGA -SENSEI.
I MADE YOU SOME AS WELL.
YOU'RE JUST TOO SLOW.
GEEZ!
MY APOLOGIES FOR ALL THE TROUBLE WHEN I'M DRUNK
NO NO, IT'S FINE.
OH, THANK YOU.
HEY, OLD MAN.
WHAT?
I'm in~
I'm gonna have to pay for them, aren't I?
better stop at the bank
OK!
LET'S GO GET SOME DRINKS TONIGHT!


WE'RE GOING OUT DRINKING TODAY, YOU'RE COMING, RIGHT?
Here's your "thank you" chocolate
Thanks
AHH, I DUNNO IF I CAN MAKE IT.
WHAT? WHY NOT.
IT'S JUST, MY MOM CAME TO VISIT, AND...
.....
ACTUALLY... I'LL GO. I DON'T WANNA GO HOME TODAY.
Oh my
YOU'VE GOT IT ROUGH.

HUH?
IS HE NOT HERE? THE DOOR'S LOCKED.
WHAT'S GOING ON?

AH, SENSEI~
DID YOU GIRLS NEED ME?
WOAH, YOU'VE GOT SO MUCH!
HAHA... I GOT A LOT ON THE WAY HERE.
I GUESS IT IS EASY TO GIVE YOU PRESENTS FOR STUFF LIKE THIS
YEAH... BUT I DOUBT ANY OF THEM ARE "SERIOUS" ONES.
SORRY, MINE'S JUST A "THANK YOU" TOO
IT'S FINE, THANKS.
MAN, OVER IN AMERICA ONLY COUPLES DID THIS STUFF OTHER THAN THAT ALL YOU HAD WERE GENERIC PRESENTS FOR EVERYONE IN A CLASS
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME GETTING SO MANY PRESENTS JUST FOR ME.
IT'S ACTUALLY PRETTY NICE, EVEN IF THEY ARE ONLY "THANK YOU" CHOCOLATES

If you like "thank you" chocolates so much,
then I guess I can give you one more to enjoy.

REALLY?
THANKS, KUSAKABE.

THIS IS HOPELESS!

YOU BETTER GIVE ME SOMETHING IN RETURN.
AHH... YEAH, I CAN GET YOU SOMETHING SMALL I GUESS
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.....
HARUKA -CHAN.

HE LOOKED SO HAPPY
TO GET ALL THAT CHOCOLATE FROM THOSE OTHER GIRLS...
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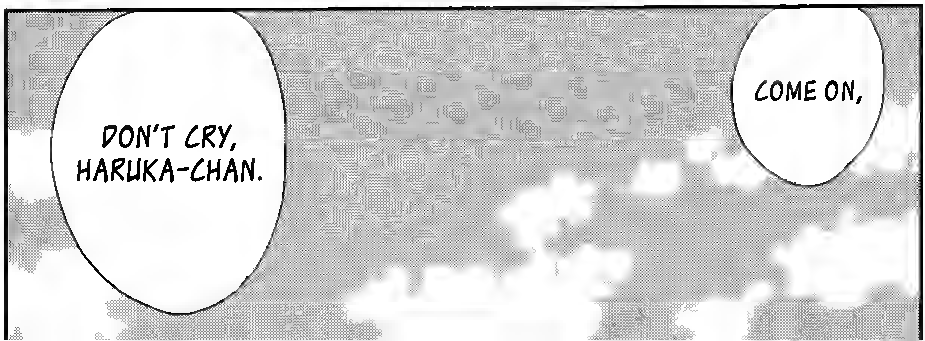
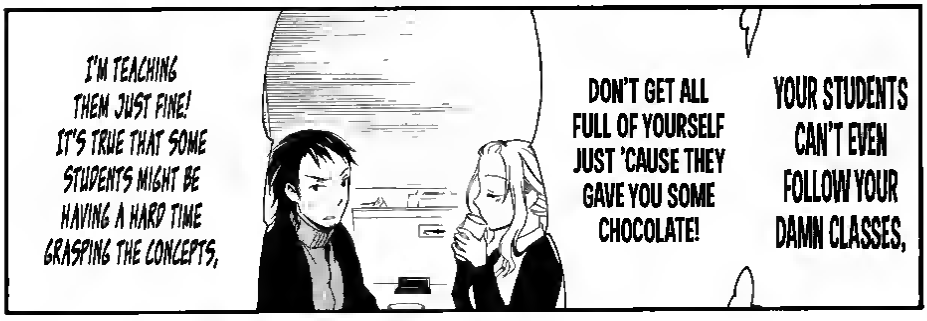
CHEER UP, I'LL HELP AGAIN NEXT TIME SOMETHING HAPPENS.
YOU SHOULDA JUST ASKED HIM OUT THEN.
BESIDES, ALL GUYS ARE LIKE THAT ANYWAY.
TOMONAGA, YOU BIG FAT JERK!


COME ON,
DON'T CRY, HARUKA-CHAN.

YOU HIT THE MOTHERLOAD, TOMONAGA.
EVERYONE LOVES THE YOUNG GUYS~
CHEERS!
Share some with me, now.
IS THAT AN ORDER?
COULD YOU REPEAT THAT FOR ME?
TAKI -SENSEI.
YOUNG GIRLS AREN'T REALLY INTO THAT
Ah.
I FEEL KINDA BAD FOR KUMADA, BUT I GUESS IT'S HIS OWN FAULT
FOR BEING SO BOSSY, KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

Eek!
KUMADA -SENSEI, WHEN DID YOU GET HERE?
LOOKS LIKE THE GANG'S ALL HERE.
WHAT A COINCIDENCE.
A HA HA


I'M TEACHING THEM JUST FINE! IT'S TRUE THAT SOME STUDENTS MIGHT BE HAVING A HARD TIME GRASPING THE CONCEPTS,
DON'T GET ALL FULL OF YOURSELF JUST 'CAUSE THEY GAVE YOU SOME CHOCOLATE!
YOUR STUDENTS CAN'T EVEN FOLLOW YOUR DAMN CLASSES,

HMPH
DON'T GET MAD AT ME 'CAUSE YOU SUCK AT YOUR JOB, KID!
BUT I'M WILLING TO ADMIT MY MISTAKES AND REVISE MY MATERIAL! I'M NOT SO FOOLISH AS TO LEAVE STRUGGLING STUDENTS BEHIND!!

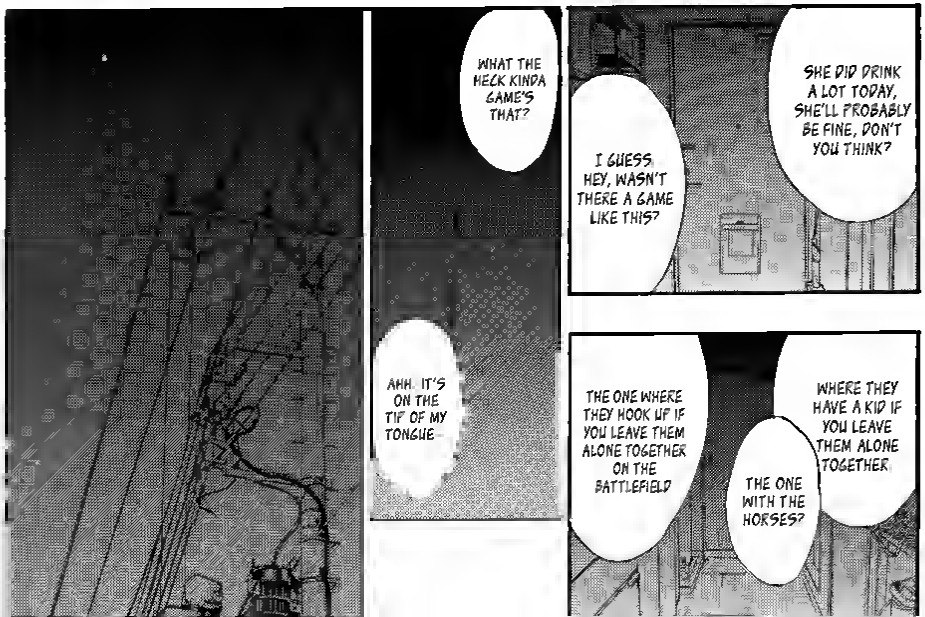
LET'S SETTLE THIS ONCE AND FOR ALL!!
Now things are getting good~♡
Oh wow...

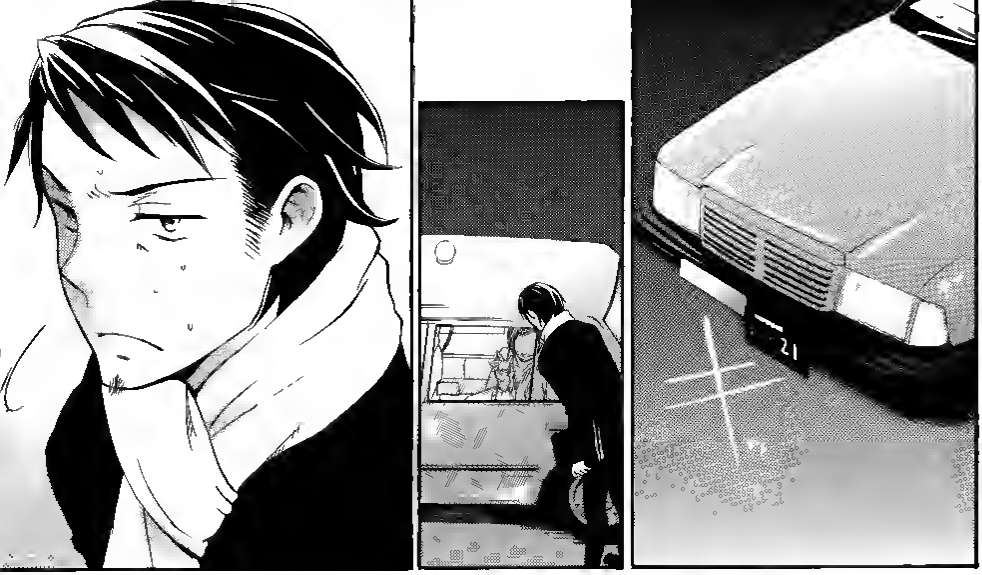
I'M PRETTY SURE HE'S YOUNGER THAN I AM~
HM? HOW OLD IS KUMADA NOW ANYWAY?

PHEW, MAN SHE WAS HEAVY.
GOOD WORK~

TAKI, GRAB KAYAMA'S KEY FROM HER BAG FOR ME.
So heavy~
YES SIR.

Probably, as long as Yurine doesn't wake up in the middle of the night
Yeah, I'm more worried about Tomonaga than her...
She can get really weird when she's drunk
But I can't bring him back to my place!
BUT WILL THESE TWO BE ALRIGHT IF WE LEAVE THEM HERE?
OBVIOUSLY WE COULDN'T BRING KUMADA WITH US,
He's an adult, and very tall.


WHAT THE HECK KINDA GAME'S THAT?
AHH. IT'S ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE
I GUESS. HEY, WASN'T THERE A GAME LIKE THIS?
SHE DID DRINK A LOT TODAY, SHE'LL PROBABLY BE FINE, DON'T YOU THINK?
THE ONE WHERE THEY HOOK UP IF YOU LEAVE THEM ALONE TOGETHER ON THE BATTLEFIELD
THE ONE WITH THE HORSES?
WHERE THEY HAVE A KID IF YOU LEAVE THEM ALONE TOGETHER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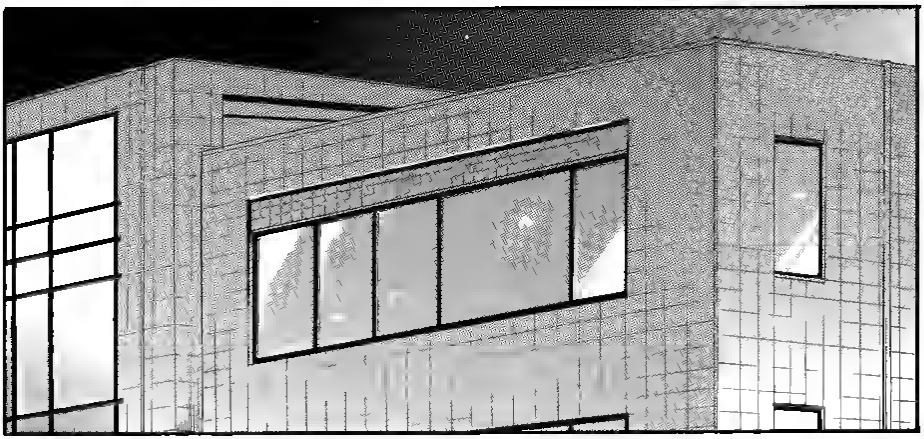

WELCOME HOME.

YOU WERE OUT LATE TONIGHT, HUH SENSEI.

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Uu...
I need some water...
Why did I drink so much?
I feel sick.
Umm...
Wait, where am I?
It feels sort of familiar...

—OH YEAH, AND MY MOM.
SHE SAID SHE NAMED ME YURINE BECAUSE SHE USED TO HATE LILY ROOTS, BUT WHEN SHE WAS PREGNANT WITH ME,
SHE GOT OVER THE TASTE AND STARTED EATING THEM. ISN'T SHE SUCH A JERK?
TLN: Yurine = Lily root
HEY. ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME? TOMONAGA-SENSEI—
...Yes.
I don't think... I'll ever forget in my entire... life.

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HAYATO, HAYATO.
YOUR BIG SISTER WAS IN TEEN SISTER MAGAZINE AGAIN
HAPPY

LOOK, MY SISTER'S BEEN COMING HOME LATE LATELY.
SO I CAN'T GET YOU AN AUTOGRAPH OR ANYTHING.
BEING A MODEL FOR TEEN SISTER IS SO COOL. I WISH I WAS ONE TOO
ALSO, ABOUT WHAT WE ASKED YOU BEFORE,

One day, all of a sudden,

COME ON, WHY NOT?
IT'S NOT LIKE IT'LL COST YOU ANYTHING!

【EXTRA】

My stupid older sister,
I'M A MODEL NOW!!
said the above.

The women of the family were all ecstatic about it, but...
I KNOW, RIGHT? THANKS MOM.
REALLY? WOW, THAT'S AMAZING HARUKA-CHAN.

I bet they'll get rid of Haruka in no time at all.
Don't they treat most models like they're disposable?

When I wondered if it would end up making that dumb big sister of mine sad in the end,
I couldn't help but feel...
A dull pain run through my chest.
【EXTRA】
LITTLE KNIGHT COMPLEX

My sister is as laid back as ever though, unaware of my worries.
HARUKA!
HARUKA, YOU IDIOT!
Haa...
IF YOU WEREN'T UP IN TIME FOR YOUR PHOTO SHOOT
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO TOLD ME TO COME GET YOU

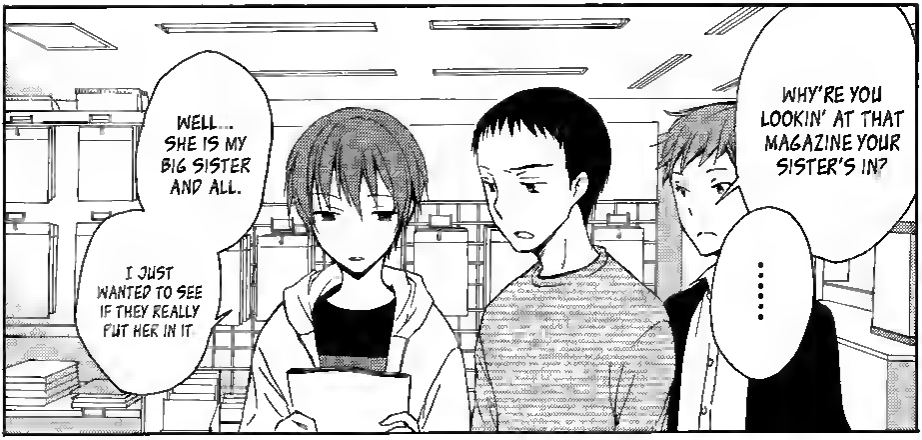
Why is she sleeping upside down on the bed?
HEY, HARUKA, YOU NEED TO GET UP.
Nnn~ Just 30 more minutes
IF YOU DO THAT YOU'RE GONNA...
BE...
LATE...
GET UP ALREADY!!
KYA!
COME ON YOU IDIOT!

I WOKE YOU UP, JUST LIKE YOU ASKED
BETTER NOT FALL ASLEEP AGAIN.
WHA... DID YOU REALLY HAVE TO WAKE ME UP LIKE THAT?
IS IT JUST ME OR HAVE YOU BEEN GETTING VIOLENT LATELY?
CAN IT!!
ALSO, I CAN TOTALLY SEE YOUR BOOBS.
WHA
DON'T MAKE ME LOOK AT THOSE PATHETIC TINY THINGS!
HAYATO YOU PERV! WHEN DID YOU TURN INTO SUCH A CREEP!?
Haaa.
If you don't want me to see then be more careful
She's a total slob of an older sister,

and she seems to be getting more appearances, too.
But she seems to be working really hard at her modeling job,

She's got a lot more page space than before.

OH?
HEY KUSAKABE.
H-HEY MAN!
WHAT ARE YOU HIDING? PORN?
Show me it
IDIOT, IT'S NOT THAT!
!!!
WHAT?


WELL... SHE IS MY BIG SISTER AND ALL.
I JUST WANTED TO SEE IF THEY REALLY PUT HER IN IT.
WHY'RE YOU LOOKIN' AT THAT MAGAZINE YOUR SISTER'S IN?
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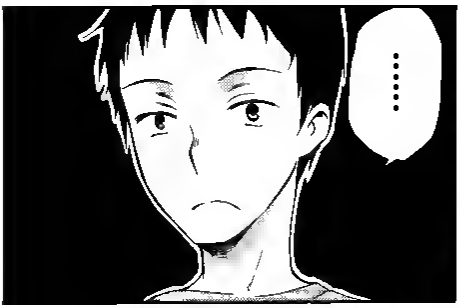
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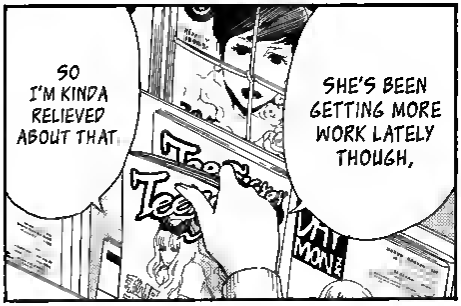
SO I'M KINDA RELIEVED ABOUT THAT.
SHE'S BEEN GETTING MORE WORK LATELY THOUGH,

YOU MEAN SELLING THE THINGS YOU SLEEP ON AT NIGHT?
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EH...
HEY, YOU SURE YOUR SISTER ISN'T DOING ANY PILLOW BIZ?

Ah... But...
CEO
Hah hah hah, I'll give you more coverage if you do what I say, Haruka-chan
MORON! THAT'S NOT WHAT PILLOW BIZ IS!
PILLOW BIZ IS WHEN SOMEONE IN THE SHOW BIZ
We can't do this, Mr CEO
HAS SEX WITH BIGSHOTS AT T.V. STATIONS AND STUFF TO GET MORE WORK.
IF YOUR BIG SISTER'S GETTING MORE WORK, COULDN'T THAT BE WHY?
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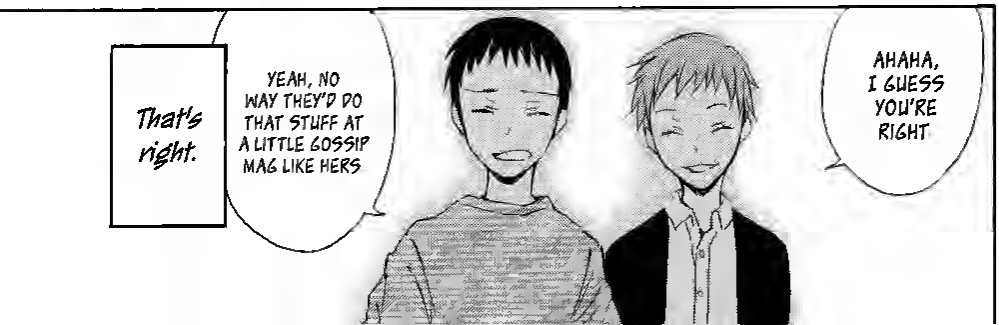
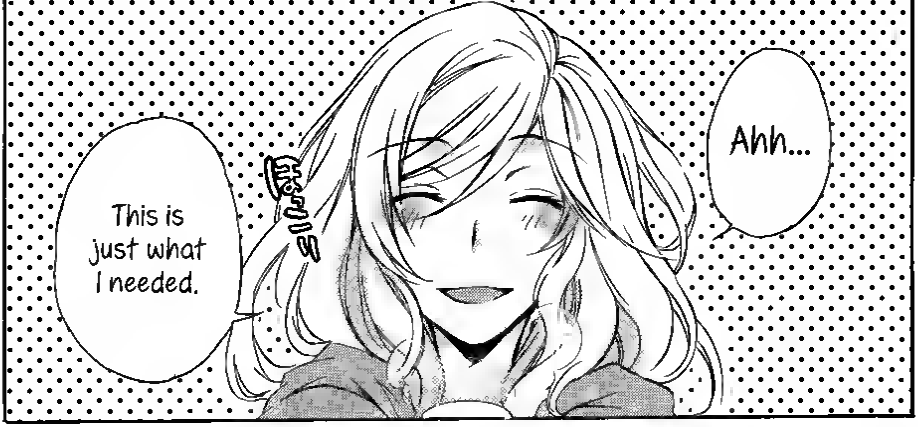
...IT'S FINE.
SHE'S TOO DUMB FOR THAT
SHE'S NOT SMART ENOUGH TO PULL THAT KINDA THING OFF.


That's right.
YEAH, NO WAY THEY'D DO THAT STUFF AT A LITTLE GOSSIP MAG LIKE HERS
AHAHA, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT

She's always been an idiot.
Just a total idiot...
But it's because she's an idiot that she might...
You aren't doing that stuff, right?

BIG SIS!!

HERE.
IT WAS SO COLD AT THE PHOTOSHOOT TODAYYY!
Um... What the heck are you doing?


Ahh...
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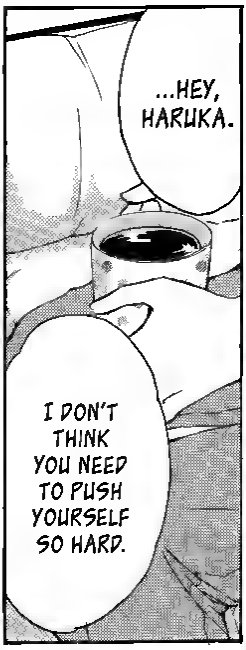
This is just what I needed.

LISTEN TO THIS, HAYATO.
THEY MADE ME WEAR HOT PANTS AND MINISKIRTS OUT THERE IN THE FREEZING COLD FOR FOUR HOURS!
I SERIOUSLY THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO FREEZE TO DEATH.
YOU DO GET COLD PRETTY EASILY.


...HEY, HARUKA.
I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO PUSH YOURSELF SO HARD.

A GIRL'S GOTTA BE TOUGH AND PUT UP WITH IT THOUGH, HEHE.

IN SHOWBIZ... THERE'S A LOT OF SHADY PLACES, AND, UM...
I'VE HEARD SOME SCARY STORIES TOO, SO...
WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS,

THANKS HAYATO, BUT...
I WANT TO DO THE BEST I CAN UNTIL THEY SAY THEY DON'T NEED ME ANYMORE.
I MEAN, SURE, THERE'S PLENTY OF STUFF THAT SUCKS ABOUT IT,
AND THERE ARE GUYS WHO TRY TO HIT ON ME SOMETIMES TOO, BUT...

THEN WHY!?
BECAUSE,

THERE WAS ONE PERSON WHO STOOD UP FOR ME, AND TOLD ME
TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON THE THINGS I WANT TO DO.
AND SHOULDER IT WITH YOU.
BUT MY SCHOOL TOLD ME I COULDN'T,
WHEN I SAID I WANTED TO BE A MODEL
THEN I'LL TAKE THAT RISK

I'LL ALWAYS GIVE IT MY ALL, FOR BOTH MYSELF AND THAT PERSON.
The expression on Haruka's face when she said that,

was one that I'd never seen before.
WHAT, HAYATO, WERE YOU WORRIED ABOUT YOUR BIG SISTER?
IN YOUR DREAMS MAYBE!
IT'S JUST, MY FRIEND TOLD ME ABOUT PILLOW BIZ, AND...
WHAT? YOU THINK I'M DOING THAT STUFF?
I'D NEVER DO THAT CRAP IN A MILLION YEARS!
OW OW OW
YOU'VE BEEN ACTING REALLY CHEEKY LATELY!
But,
I think
Haruka is still my dumb big sister, same as ever.
That said,
I'm just as bad for worrying about her so much.
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